The Daily Republican.

VOL. XXV. NO. 268. DECATUR, ILLINOIS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898. 10 CENTS PER WEEK

...RE WEDDING.

...Wednesday Night ...Oreana.

...day evening, February ... the bride's parents, ... the marriage of ... Robert B. Durham ... ere were in all about ... The bridal couple ... Miss Anna Shoemaker ... d Edwin F. Huff of ... al party entered the ... clock as the wedding ... played by Miss Lillian ... The bride was beauti... cream costume with ... and carried bride's ... laid were a ... evergreen ... and cream satin and ...ers.

...s performed by Rev. ... the U. B church of

...ions were extended all ... the dining room, ... wedding supper was ... was beautifully deco... plants and smilax ... from Cerro Gordo ... Sullivan, Sanga... Forsyth. The young ... of a large num...ents ... ond daughter of Mr. ... e and is a rarely ac... ghly respected young ... circle of friends. The ... ghly respected and es... ... of Oakley town ... couple will reside on ...ear Oakley

...N CONTROL.

...icago Today—What ...r Says

...7.—The bears were ... own shadow on the ... It was a wild open... advanced three cents ... half minute after the ... wild rush for cover, ...stressed The feeling ... that Leiter has com... e market Trade can... b lighter than might ... of the rapid and wide ...ich is due almost en...ng and shorts trying ... e fluctuated between ... for May, trades jump... a time Armour is ... "Wheat will command ... and Leiter may put ...ts to "

...RESS.

...cials Authorized to ...ng Investigation.

...17.—In the senate ...duced a resolution in...ttee on naval affairs ...aine disaster. ...nt over until tomor...

...USE.

...w York introduced a ...ating $150,000 to be ...sentatives of the vic...disaster. This amount ... 12 months pay lost

... AND CUBA.

... Favoring Complete ...ndence.

...eb 17.—A resolution ...legislature today and ...instructing the Ken... congress to do all in ... the independence of

...FOR MERRY.

...the Chicago Man a ...eve.

...7.—Governor Tanner ...days Chris Merry, ...ath in Chicago, for

...a Meeting.

...rguson of the Elec... company, will go to ... attend a meeting of ...nittee of the state ...ciation, of which he ... meeting will be held ...emont house. The ...ing preparations for ...on, which is to be ... third Wednesday in ... have called a meet... supply men and will ... whether or not they ...bit at the conven...ree exhibition of the ...ll be held in connec...tion.

...the Cellar.

...ople attended a party ...ome at Casner last ...ave way and all were ... cellar, a distance of ... none were hurt.

...Society.

...will not meet tomor... Millikin Home as

A PRETTY PICTURE

Patriotic Decorations in Curtis Bros.' Window.

OLD GLORY AND GUNS IN SIGHT

A Rare Collection of War Flags and Weapons—Antique Specimens—China—Cherry Tree and Hatchet.

Curtis Bros. have a window decorated in honor of Washington's birthday, which is not only particularly appropriate to the occasion for which it was intended but is unique and interesting as well and at this time in the midst of the excitement over the fatality which occurred in the Havana harbor on Tuesday evening the war spirit shown in the idea of the decoration strikes a sympathetic chord.

In the background are draped two large American flags and in the centre of the window is a collection of relics of our late war. Four rifles are stacked in the centre and support as many cartridge belts and ammunition bags. The guns were carried through the war by veterans of Macon county members of the 20th Illinois infantry. There are two swords in the collection, one the property of Capt. George S Durfee and was carried by him through the entire war. Captain Durfee was a member of the first company of soldiers which left Decatur and his company was one of the last mustered out of the service. The other is the sword of the late Major Richard Steele, which was captured by him in a battle and brought home by him on his return. There is also a small cannon, the property of the G. A. R post.

To the lovers of the antique the most interesting piece in the collection is a large delft platter. The platter was manufactured in 1793 and is owned by Mrs. J R. Moore. The decorations in the centre represent an old colonial home with its lofty pillars and broad porches. To the right of this picture is the figure of justice and to the left that of liberty. Just above and to the right of the figure of justice is the picture of George Washington. The whole is encircled by a wreath in which is woven the names of the 15 states which formed the union at the time the platter was made. There is but one other piece like this in existence and it has a prominent position among the colonial relics in the Field Museum in Chicago

There are a number of other pieces of china, which are more than 100 years old. The cherry tree and hatchet have not been forgotten and form a part of the decorations to the left of the window, together with a pair of ear rings which Mr. Curtis thinks should have been worn by Pocohontas Several other valuable pieces of colonial china will be added to the collection, also a bust of Washington.

The Wheelmen.

The interest in the summer work of the wheelmen has already begun and the prospects are that there will be more wheels used this season in the city than ever before The dealers say that they look for a good year The members of the wheelmen's club have not yet made any preparations for the summer They expect to hold a road race and races will probably be held in the evenings at the trotting park It is now doubtful whether the club will hold a big race meeting. Several hundred dollars are necessary to start the meet and if it is a failure the members lose money and they feel that their organization is not rich enough to take the risk It is possible, however, that some arrangement may be made to hold a meeting during the summer. The L. A. W. has elected new officials and as yet nothing has been done in the way of arranging circuits or sanctioning dates for races

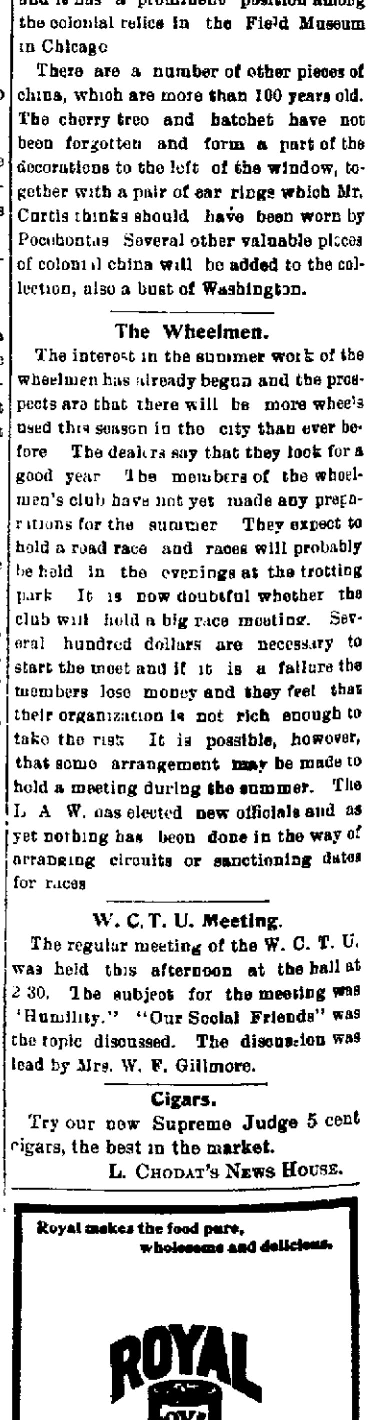
W. C. T. U. Meeting.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held this afternoon at the hall at 2 30. The subject for the meeting was 'Humility." "Our Social Friends" was the topic discussed. The discussion was lead by Mrs. W. F. Gillmore.

Cigars.

Try our new Supreme Judge 5 cent cigars, the best in the market.

L. CHODAT'S NEWS HOUSE.



HOT TALK IN THE UNITED STATES SENATE

Mason Precipitates a Warm Discussion on the Maine Disaster.

WRECKED WARSHIP TO BE LIFTED.

$200,000 Appropriated for That Purpose--"War May Come" Says Wolcott--Spanish Insinuations--Divers at the Scene--Excitement in New York City--All Police on Duty.

Washington, Feb 18.—President McKinley today received Senor Du Bosc, the Spanish charge d'affairs, who brought from the queen regent an expression of profound sorrow over the calamity to the Maine

The Maine.

Washington, Feb. 18.—In the house at the request of the secretary of the navy, Mr Boutelle, chairman of the naval committee, asked the house to pass a joint resolution appropriating $200,000 for the raising of the battleship Maine.

Mr. Boutelle said that all information at hand tended to strengthen the belief that the disaster was due to an accident. The resolution passed without a dissenting voice.

Mr. Wolcott warmly defended the navy department and declared as utterly unfounded the insinuation that the people distrusted it. We should refrain from insulting a friendly nation and invite outrageous criticism of our own people. War, he said might come: in fact it might not be far off but our conduct should be such as would make us respect ourselves and make other nations respect our position.

Senator Lodge of Massachusetts followed in the same strain in defense of the navy department and its leading officers.

Senator Mason defended himself. Senator Hawley said the Cuban question did not enter into the loss of the Maine.

MASON TO THE FRONT.

In the senate the joint resolution appropriating $200,000 for raising the Maine, was offered by Mr Hale It was passed without objection, after an amendment authorizing the secretary of the navy to direct that the remains of the officers and sailors be brought to the United States for interment.

HOT TALK.

The Allen resolution of inquiry into the Maine disaster came up. Mr. Mason offered an amendment for a special committee to make an investigation, instead of the naval affairs committee. Mr. Hale asked that the matter be not pushed. Mr. Mason declared that it was evident that the facts in regard to Cuba were being concealed from the people and congress. The policy of the government is delay. Nothing could stop the murder of the people of Cuba. De Lome's letter had not stopped them, the Maine disaster had not stopped them. It is time for the senate to act. Mr. Hale said he hoped there would be no exasperating debate while the matter was being investigated. He hoped the senator would see the impropriety of the position he was taking. Mr. Mason insisted that if it was found that the disaster was the result of accident, the people would be better satisfied if a committee of congress should find it so.

After remarks by Platt of Conn. and Allen, Hale said it would be better to have no warring upon the floor of the senate. The resolution went to the calendar without a vote.

CAPTAIN SIGSBEE'S MESSAGE

Washington, Feb. 18.—The navy department furnishes the following list of the Maine as comprising all whose bodies have thus far been identified: J. H. Dierking, drummer; James A. Graham, chief yeoman; William T. Tinsman, landsman; J. F. Brown, sergeant; Eldon H. Mero, chief machinist; Harry J. Keys, ordinary seaman; Owen Sheridan, fireman, second class; Patrick Gaffney, fireman, first class; William Cosgrove, fireman, second class; Joseph Sery, fireman, first class; Charles P. Galpin, private marine; Michael Kane, coal passer; Carl A. Smith, seaman

CAPTAIN SIGSBEE'S TELEGRAM.

A delayed dispatch was received this morning from Captain Sigsbee, giving an account of the public funeral of 19 of the Maine's dead, substantially as told in these dispatches last night. Captain Sigsbee expresses himself as greatly impressed with the evidence of sympathy. He adds that the rest of the dead, of whom 40 came ashore yesterday, must perforce be buried with brief ceremony. Very few coming ashore now are recognizable. He calls the attention of friends and relatives of the dead men to the fact that it is impossible to send the bodies home as the art of embalming is only imperfectly understood in Havana. He says he will put some divers at work today, and the Olivett will bring others Saturday.

TRICKY SPAIN AFRAID.

Wants American Divers Watched—Offers Insinuations.

Madrid, Feb. 18.—The newspapers urge the government to adopt great precaution when the American divers arrive, and not allow them to descend alone and examine the Maine, "as divers sent by private persons might be bribed to make a report at variance with the actual facts and even do something to the hull which would serve as a confirmation of their report."

FUNERAL OF THE DEAD.

Liberty-Seeking Cubans Sought to Show Their Gratitude.

Havana, Feb. 18.—Previous to the funeral yesterday of the victims of the Maine disaster, a delegation of unfortunate concentrados expressed a wish to carry the bodies on their shoulders to the grave, as proof of their gratitude to the Americans. General Lee thanked them and said that the bodies would be carried in the manner designated by the authorities. In front of the Albisu Theatre 400 concentrados joined the procession which had by that time increased to 5000 persons of all classes. The procession did not reach the cemetery until after 6 p. m. The religious ceremonies were presided over by Bishop Manuel Santander and by Rev. Father J. P. Chidwick, chaplain of the Maine.

TORPEDOES IN THE HARBOR.

How the Bay is Mined and Operated by Means of Wires.

St. Louis, Feb. 18.—It is customary to divide all great harbors into sections and plans of coast defense and to assign places for torpedoes on the bottom at certain intervals. The location of these torpedoes is kept a profound secret, only a few officers of the army being entrusted with the knowledge. If their location were known it would be easy for an attacking enemy to remove or explode them without causing harm to their own vessels.

It is not usual to keep the torpedoes actually in their berths in the water in times of peace. They are placed in the position assigned to them only as a war measure. There are some exceptions to this rule, for instance at Hong Kong, where the torpedoes are at all times kept in position, and it may be presumed that the same precaution has been taken in Havana harbor to guard against an unexpected raid by a swift steamer that might fall into the hands of the insurgents. These torpedoes are not of the contact type, as are called the torpedoes that are set to go off upon the touch of the hull of a vessel passing over them, but are arranged to be exploded only by means of electric currents sent out from shore by buried wires. These fixed torpedoes are really mines and carry much larger charges than the small automobile torpedoes discharged from the torpedo tubes of warships.

DIVERS ON THE WAY.

They Will Arrive in Havana by Saturday Morning.

Key West, Fla., Feb 18.—All of the Maine's wounded are doing well. The Bache left this morning with divers and wrecking paraphernalia. She will take divers from the New York and proceed to Havana, which she will probably reach by tomorrow morning.

THE SPANISH WARSHIP.

Inopportune Arrival at New York—Looking for Trouble.

New York, Feb 18.—Every policeman in the city is on duty under a special order from Chief McCullagh. This action is taken in compliance with the request of Mr. Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy, that precaution be taken against the possibility of hostile demonstrations upon the arrival of the Spanish cruiser Viscaya.

ILLINOIS IN LINE.

Text of the Resolution Adopted by the Illinois Legislature.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 18.—In response to the special message of Governor Tanner to the leigslature on the Maine catastrophe, the following joint resolution, prepared by Senator Berry was adopted:

"Whereas, The governor has sent the senate a message relating to the calamity which has overtaken the United States battleship Maine and the crew thereon; therefore, be it

"Resolved, By the senate, the house of representatives concurring therein, That we, the representatives of the people of the state of Illinois, do hereby express our sincere appreciation of the services of the gallant dead of our navy, and extend to the wounded and all persons afflicted by this sad affair our most sincere and profound sympathy; be it further

"Resolved, That we hereby commend the governor of this commonwealth for his timely and patriotic message, and he is hereby authorized to tender to the president of the United States all moral and material support that may be necessary in this emergency to maintain the proper dignity of our republic and the honor of the American flag."

THE DE LOME LETTER.

Spain's Answer to the United States—Incident Closed.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Spain's disclaimer of responsibility for Minister de Lome's utterances has reached the state department and while the apology is not so sweeping as could be wished for, still it is a disavowal, and that is all that can be expected from Spain. Under the circumstances the incident must be considered closed.

ABSTRACT OF THE NOTE.

The following is an abstract of the note sent by the Spanish government to Minister Woodford at Madrid:

"The Spanish government on learning of the incident in which Minister Dupuy de Lome was concerned, and being advised of his objectionable communication, with entire sincerity laments the incident which was the cause of the interview with the minister. States that Minister de Lome had presented his resignation and it had been accepted before the presentation of the matter by Minister Woodford. That the Spanish ministry, in accepting the resignation of a functionary whose services they have been utilizing and valued up to that time, leaves it perfectly well established that they do not share and rather, on the contrary, disauthorize the criticisms tending to offend or censure the chief of a friendly state, although such criticisms had been written within the field of friendship, and had reached publicity by artful and criminal means. That this meaning had taken shape in a resolution by the council of ministers before General Woodford presented the matter and at a time when the Spanish government had only vague telegraphic reports concerning the sentiments alluded to. That the Spanish nation, with equal and greater reason, affirms its view and decision after reading the words contained in the letter reflecting upon the president of the United States.

"As to the paragraph concerning the desirability of negotiations of commercial relations, if even for effect and importance of using a representative for the purpose stated in Senor Dupuy de Lome's letter, the government expresses concern that, in the light of its conduct long after the writing of the letter, and in view of the unanswerable testimony of simultaneous and subsequent facts, any doubt should exist that the Spanish government has given proof of its real desire and of its innermost convictions with respect to the new commercial system and the projected treaty of commerce.

"That the Spanish government does not now consider it necessary to lay stress upon or to demonstrate anew the truth and sincerity of its purpose and the unstained good faith of its intentions.

"That publicly and solemnly the government of Spain contracted before the mother country and its colonies a responsibility for the political and tariff changes which it has inaugurated in both Antilles, the natural end of which, in domestic and international spheres, it pursues with firmness which will ever inspire its conduct."

A RUNAWAY BOY.

Twelve Year Old Child Wandering Around the Country All Alone.

The police on the levee have all kinds of men as lodgers in the Short street station, but last night they had a boy who is a little younger than any of the wanderers that have yet passed the night in the station. He was but 12 years old and is tramping over the country all alone. Last night Officer Ed Leach as he was going off duty noticed the boy go into Brown's saloon and he reported the matter to the night police, who went to the saloon and took the boy in charge. The youngster was well dressed and was smoking a pipe. He gave his name as Melvin Tice and said his home was at Polo, Ill. He claimed that his father had driven him away from his home and that in company with another he started away from the town. The boy jumped on a train but his companion got left and he came to Decatur alone The child was put in the station house for the night. He did not seem to care in the least that he had been taken into charge by the police. He claimed to know some persons in Decatur and this morning he was released and an effort will be made to find his friends in this city, if he has any.

TWO MEN KILLED

In a Railway Collision on the Northwestern Road.

Webster City, Iowa, Feb. 18.—Engineer Louis Hollinger was killed and Fireman Osborne fatally hurt in a head-on collision between double header freight trains on the Northwestern road last night. Four engines are piled up in a heap.

The Tax Collectors.

Collector Landy Martin says that by tomorrow evening he will have collected about $50,000 of the taxes. Much of the personal tax has been collected and it is probable that more personal tax will be taken in by the collector this year than ever before. Comparisons show that the collections this year have been good. On February 16, 1894, when times were good, the total collections to that time amounted to $20,600, and the total collections this year up to February 16 last amounted to $46,900.

Will Visit the Holy Land.

Lewis Board, who is a member of the Brass quartet, who are assisting Rev. Kilgore, the evangelist, in his work throughout the state, was the guest of Decatur friends yesterday en route to Piatt county, where Rev. Kilgore will conduct a series of meetings. Rev. Kilgore, accompanied by the quartet, will leave in June for an extended stay in the Holy Land.

In Honor of Guests.

Mrs. John A. Reeve of West Macon street entertained at cards this afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock in honor of Mrs. Cleland, who will leave shortly for a permanent residence in Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Reeve of Springfield, who are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reeve.

THE CRAWFORD FUNERAL.

Burial with Pythian Ceremonies at Maroa.

The funeral of the late Edward Crawford was held at Forsyth yesterday at 1 o'clock. The services were in charge of the K. of P. lodge of Forsyth and the Royal lodge K. of P. of Maroa. Many Modern Woodmen attended. The burial was at Maroa and J. B. Dinges, district deputy grand chancellor, conducted the ritualistic services at the grave. Knights D. H. Cloyd, Fred Willis and J. M. Dodd were also in attendance. The great respect which was universally felt for Mr. Crawford in the community in which he lived was evidenced by the large number of his friends and neighbors who were gathered both at Forsyth and Maroa to express their sympathy and assist in the sad rites of the burial. The opinion that insanity prompted Mr. Crawford to take his life and sympathy for his family was everywhere expressed. The funeral was one of the largest ever held in Macon county and there was not one among the large gathering of people but that felt that they had lost a valuable friend and the community an upright and valued citizen.

BROKE HIS ARM.

Lieut. C. B. Moore Met with a Bad Accident at Port Royal.

Lieut. C. B. Moore of the United States navy, who is stationed at Port Royal, N. C., met with a bad accident several days ago. He was hanging an awning on the front porch of his house when he fell off the porch and broke his right arm. The arm was the same one which Mr. Moore had injured once before. A number of years ago when at Colon, S. A., Mr. Moore was accidentally shot in the right arm. The bullet shattered the bone and although Mr. Moore has been able to do sea service his arm has always been stiff and he has not had free use of it since the accident. He was particularly unfortunate in having the same arm injured again. The physicians, however, think that possibly when the arm is healed it will not be a stiff as it was before and that the last accident may be a benefit. Mr. Moore will be laid up for some time as a result of the injury.

A COUSIN IN DECATUR.

"Buck" Cherry, Cigarmaker, Related to a Maine Victim.

Robert Hutchens, a landsman, is one of the men who was seriously injured in the Maine warship, now in the Marine hospital at Havana. He is a cousin of "Buck" Cherry, a cigarmaker in the employ of L. W. Fribourg.

TAKING OUT BODIES.

Extent of the Mine Explosion Horror in Russia.

Boschum, Prussia, Feb. 18.—Seventy-four bodies have been recovered from the Vereiguite Carolinengluck colliery, destroyed yesterday by an explosion of fire damp. Thirty bodies are still in the ruins.

Sale of Horses.

A sale of horses was held yesterday at the farm of David Whitley, southwest of the city. Thirty-five head of horses were sold at auction. Many were colts and the whole lot averaged about $50 a head. The highest price brought by any one horse was $86. The prices were considered to be good. The horsemen say that the price of horses is constantly going up and that there is a considerable difference in the price at present and what it was a few months ago. Some of the horsemen think that by summer horses will command good prices. Cattle are also going up in price.

Dinner Party.

Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Calhoun of West Macon street entertained a number of friends at a 6 o'clock dinner last evening The guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Abel, Mr. and Mrs John Mark, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reavis, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Douglas, Mr and Mrs. Hopping, Mrs. S. J. Steele, Miss Chloe Murphy and Charles Steele.

Brought to Decatur.

The remains of the late John Scanlan, who died at Kankakee, were brought to Decatur early this morning and were taken to the undertaking rooms of Wykoff and Reeve. The time of the funeral has not yet been decided but will probably be held some time tomorrow.

S. S. Institute.

Five Sunday school institutes will be held in Piatt county, beginning on February 23 at Mansfield; at Cisco the 23rd; Cerro Gordo the 24th; Hammond the 25; Monticello the 26th and 27. W. C. Pearce, state field worker, will be in charge.

GOODWOMANGONE

Death of Miss Frances Willard in New York.

PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING

At the Age of 59—Funeral to be Held Sunday in the East—Burial at Evanston on Next Thursday.

New York, Feb. 18.—Frances E. Willard died at the Hotel Empire shortly after midnight this morning, from influenza, complicated by pernicious anaemia. Miss Willard has been ill for many weeks, but only her most intimate friends knew that her condition was serious up to the first of the present week.

Frances Elizabeth Willard was born at 11 o'clock Thursday morning, September 28, 1839, in a little home in the principal street of Churchville, Monroe county, N. Y., 14 miles west of Rochester.

Miss Willard left the teaching profession for work in temperance in 1874. One day in September in that year a few women assembled in one of the prayer rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, adjoining Farwell Hall, and elected Miss Willard president. There was no money in sight for the work, but the association donated the use of the room, and with no backing but a strong conviction and set purpose she opened the first headquarters of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She started out to raise money for the cause, and being unknown to fame spoke first in Princeton and came back with a collection of $7 as the proceeds. There was many a day during this beginning that she was forced to go without noonday luncheon and walked home to save car fare. Her brother, Oliver, who was then editor of the Chicago Mail, helped her to the extent of his ability, also contributing to the support of Mrs. Willard, who was holding to "Rest Cottage."

HABITS OF LIFE.

Her habits were the most regular. She arose at 7 in the morning and retired anywhere from 9:30 to 9, and never later than 10 save on nights of lectures. She worked eight hours each day, took recreation the rest of the time and never touched a pen to paper after tea. Her only exercise—since the time her hair was done up in a knot—has been walking, and she always walked with an athletic walk. The light in her house at Evanston was invariably out at 10 o'clock, and all the members of the household in bed at the same time.

Miss Willard kept the heart romance of her life a secret. She admits there was one—as shown by her own words in her memoirs:

"In 1861-62, for three-quarters of a year I wore a ring and acknowledged an allegiance based on the supposition that an intellectual comradeship was sure to deepen into a unity of heart How grieved I was over the discovery of my mistake the journals of that epoch could reveal. Of the real romance of my life, unguessed except by a trio of close friends, these pages may not tell. When I have passed from sight I would be glad to have it known, for I believe it might contribute to a better understanding between good men and women. For the rest I have been blessed with friendships rich, rare and varied, all lying within the temperate zone of a great heart's geography, which has been called 'cold' simply because no Stanley has explored its tropic climate, and set down as 'wholly island' because no adventurous Balboa had viewed its wide Pacific Sea."

The Funeral.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—The funeral services over the remains of Miss Frances E. Willard, president of the W. C. T. U., will be held in New York Sunday. The body will then be sent to Chicago and taken to the family home at Evanston, where the final services will be held Thursday. There will be a large gathering of her coworkers.

Will Visit in the East.

Mr. and Mr. H. C. Anthony will leave on the 28th of this month for a stay of three weeks in the east. They will visit with relatives at Philadelphia and go from there to New York, where Mr. Anthony will spend several days in purchasing goods and later will spend a week with Mr. Anthony's brother at Syracuse, N. Y.

Married Last Evening.

John G. Talbott, local deputy of the Fraternal Tribunes, was married to a young woman of New Berlin last evening. Mr. and Mrs Talbott will visit Decatur in a few days.

A FEUDAL COURTSHIP.

BY HENRY F. KEENAN.

PART II.

When Mrs. Van Gueldres made her morning tour into the bridal chamber next morning she found the room a scene of devastation. The jewel cases were all empty. The smaller articles in gold and silver were nowhere to be seen. Stupefied, she glanced all over the room, then hastened to her daughter.

"Have you been in the blue room?"

"No, mamma; why?" Kitty made answer, indifferently.

"Some one has robbed the house."

"Mamma!"

"I'm not joking—"

Kitty arose and fled toward the ravished chamber. The mother followed, calling at the same time the maid in the dining-room. Kitty stared about her in bewilderment.

"Who can it have been—was the door broken open?" she gasped, sweeping the despoiled cases with amazement.

Sarah, the maid, entering, almost shrieked in astonishment.

"Have you been on this floor this morning?" Mrs. Van Gueldres asked, confusedly.

"No, Mrs. Van Gueldres, I've been at my regular work," the maid answered, piteously.

"Where is Benham?" Send for him.

When the maid was gone, Kitty broke out: "Why didn't we take heed of Count Malstern's warning. Hundreds must have known of the jewels, and burglars have become so scientific that we might have foreseen this wretched business"

"But how could it be burglars? No doors were broken, at least I've heard of none Ah, Benham," she cried, as a grave domestic stopped in the doorway, "you see what has happened? Everything of value has been carried off, at least out of the room. Have you been through the house?"

"WHY DIDN'T WE TAKE HEED OF COUNT MALSTERN'S WARNING."

"From cellar to attic, ma'am; not a sign of break or disorder anywhere, except that the chain was not up on the front door."

Kitty started. She had forgotten to put up the chain; but how could a burglar know that?

When it was found that no clue could be traced by questioning the servants, Kitty promptly suggested sending for Teddy Acton; as a lawyer he would know what to do. Her own desire was that nothing should be said of the matter, and that the presents should all be replaced at her own expense, as the talk and wonderment was more than she cared to encounter. But a still more critical loss was in store. Teddy Acton had not been at his home. His law partner had not seen him since the previous afternoon. At first Mrs. Van Gueldres shrank from telling Kitty this. But when the evening came with no word from her sweetheart, the girl felt that something evil had befallen her Teddy, who had never missed the house for twenty-four hours during the last six months; to remain away at such a juncture as this, he must be ill. Her mother listened to her daughter's vehement conjecturings, incapable of revealing the brutal facts, as laid before Mr. Van Gueldres by his counsel.

These were simply the cynical statement of the lawyer's conviction that Theodore Acton had made way with his sweetheart's trousseau of jewels. When this hideous surmise was finally of necessity broken to Kitty, her wrath was electrifying.

"Papa, you let that dolt of a Fingul say that to you? There must be some law to punish such monstrous villification; don't invite him to the house again while I'm here." Kitty fled in tears from the room.

The family's first efforts were directed to keeping the "affair" from the newspapers. This was not difficult, as the servants were adoringly loyal to the whole household and regarded any misfortune to their employers as a pain to themselves.

Brinton Flint—Acton's law partner—took it upon him, that the clubs and congregations where Teddy was known should be satisfied with a reasonable invention; then he set to work to unravel the mystery. He knew Acton as men know their brothers. He had been his crony in Harvard. They had made the grand tour in Europe together, and he would as soon have credited the officiating clergyman at the wedding with the pillage of the presents as his friend Teddy. His first proceeding was to procure a morning's talk with Kitty. By infinite patience, he drew from her the story of her relation with Count Mal-

She had, she admitted, half

ed the count to consider his woo-

she had never loved him. She frankly told him when her heart was engaged by Teddy.

"Tell me—don't hasten—don't think anything trivial—tell me word for word, just what Malstern said when you dismissed him?" The lawyer persisted, carelessly jotting in a note book.

Kitty blushed and looked restive.

"It is absolutely, vitally essential for Teddy's good name, for his recovery, in fact, that you should tell me."

"His recovery? You know where he is; is he ill? something has happened to him," Kitty cried, beseechingly.

"It is useless to torment you with my conjectures, my suspicions. If Teddy is living, his life will only be worth living, by getting at the facts in the case. I don't think there has been a murder. A plunder so large as this of your jewels implies a master hand. Such men do not commit murder. Probably in the course of a few days you will receive a proposal, upon which will depend Acton's release."

"Then you think the count has carried Teddy off, the abominable wretch—"

"In other days he would have carried you off; perhaps had you been in that political reminiscence of feudalism, the Kaiserreich, he would have whiffed you off instead of your jewels and your sweetheart. But—Malstern's words until the last moment you saw him"

"He said that I would find that I had made a mistake in choosing Mr. Acton; that he was not worthy of me; then I stopped him and rose. He rose, too, and as he went out said, more in sorrow than in anger, 'It is too bad—too bad to throw away such a life'."

"And that was all?"

"He returned the night of the robbery and gave me an opal, which he said had been his mother's and an heirloom in the family for ages."

"Was that stolen with the rest?"

"No, I left it in the library when we went up stairs with mamma to show the count the presents."

"Good. Let me have that opal."

Armed with the gem, Brinton Flint took leave, saying, as the girl followed him wistfully to the door: "Telephone me the instant you receive the anonymous letter. It will reach you soon."

He went straightway to an eminent jewelers, known for the perfection of the work turned out in his establishment. The first glance trained eyes gave the gem, it was pronounced paste. It was a very excellent imitation and in its old German setting would never be detected, save by an expert.

"Where did it come from?"

The jeweler called an employe in the rear. "Israels, where was that put together?"

The man examined the gold circlet with a glass and answered promptly:

"Randgalls—London."

That evening Flint made known to Kitty that he would be absent from New York for some time. He gave her a cable address in London.

In such agitation as may be easily conceived, the Van Gueldres set themselves to evading curiosity. It was no difficult matter to replace the jewels and gold work stolen, as the boxes were sufficient to give the dealers the clue. The problem was to account for the postponement of the wedding and the absence of Acton. This was more or less successfully done through Flint, who gave out that Acton had been seized by a recurrence of angina pectoris and under the doctor's orders had gone into seclusion.

Meanwhile every scintilla of clue that could be evoked from persons and incidents, was in energetic and cautious hands. Berthold—the young butler, the count's protege—was kept under close surveillance. He had given a straightforward account of himself the night of the robbery. His comrade, the footman, bore witness that Berthold had gone to bed at ten o'clock, that once or twice during the night he had awaked and saw him asleep beside him. No trace however could be found of the carriage in which Acton had been driven from the Van Gueldres mansion.

* * * * * * *

Ten days later Flint was in the jewelers in London. The firm did not recognize the ring as of its manufacture. A Venetian workman, instructed to examine it, exclaimed in surprise:

"It is Malatesta."

"A Malatesta—what's that?" asked Flint.

"Wait," answered the jeweler. He took a slender steel nipper from a tool box and, running the point along the inside of the broad, gold rim, presently touched what seemed a spring. The whole disk under the stone sunk inward and a thin streak of milky matter oozed out.

"Ah!" exclaimed the Venetian, carefully avoiding the fluid. "I knew it."

"Knew what?" asked the head of the firm.

"It is one of the Malatesta poisoners. None have been seen in Italy since the

"AH," EXCLAIMED THE VENETIAN, "I KNEW IT."

expulsion of the Germans in the 16th century."

"But what does it mean—how poison?"

"When anyone with a secret vengeance wanted to get rid of a troublesome friend or rival, he gave him or her such a ring as this, you see, it must be worn with the pointed edge toward the finger tip, elsewise the sharp points would stab the hand where the fingers join. Now when the ring is slipped on, the inside roll is pushed in, the poison oozes out, drop by drop. In the course of a month, if the ring were removed nightly, as such gems are, the surface of the skin would be sufficiently abraded to absorb the poison. It is probably very powerful, and the work would never be suspected."

Flint's heart stood still. Kitty would have been dead at that very moment, had she worn the ring. This horrible denouement was far from what he expected in journeying to London. He had hoped to identify the purchaser and get sufficient evidence to procure extradition papers for the implacable count. Now he was helpless. He saw nothing for it but to return to New York and trust to the dubious ingenuity of the detective system. Nothing could shake his conviction that Count Malstern had robbed the house and abducted Acton. What his motives were for the abduction, he could not wholly determine; possibly to throw the guilt upon the successful rival. At all events, he could make inquiry at Berlin before returning to New York.

In the German capital, he found that the count's family were of the serenest caste. The count himself was rich, far beyond the wealth of the ordinary German noble. He had estates in Venetia, Sicily and Bulgaria. The family was really of Italian origin, having taken service with the emperors in 1512. The count passed his winters cruising in the Southern seas, and it was supposed in Berlin that he was somewhere in the Pacific on his yacht. The journey to Berlin had not been in vain. A telegram to the proper authorities brought the response that the Malstern yacht was last reported at Barbadoes, en route for New York.

TO BE CONTINUED.

MUNYON'S

Cold Cure cures colds in the head, colds on the lungs, old colds, new colds and obstinate colds, and all forms of grip. Stops sneezing, discharges from the nose and eyes, prevents catarrh, diphtheria pneumonia, and all throat and lung troubles. These pleasant little pellets are absolutely harmless, have saved thousands of lives and prevented much sickness. The Munyon Remedy Company prepare a separate cure for each disease. At all druggists—25 cents a vial. If you need medical advice write Prof. Munyon, 1505 Arch Street, Philadelphia. It is absolutely free.

COLD CURE

Bradley Bros.' Great Opening Sale of

WASH GOODS.

One case of Printed Dimities on white grounds at 8c yd.

One case of Finer Dimities at 10c yd.

One box of Wide Percales; light and dark colors, all new, at 10c yd.

One box of New Percales, light and dark colors, at 6c yd.

One case of Light Plaid Ginghams, Spring Shades, at 7c yd.

One case of Fine Fast Colored Dress Ginghams, light shades for Spring, at 10c yard.

25 pieces of Silver Star Madras, 36 inches wide at 15c yd.

Standard Madras Cloths for Skirts and Waists, at 15c yd.

32-inch Scotch Plaid Ginghams at 20c yd.

Silk Plaid Ginghams at 25c yd.

50 pieces of Corded Dimities at 12½c yd—all the new colors and combinations.

Imported Dimities in new patterns at 18c yd.

Fine Irish Dimities at 22c yd.

Embroidered Dimities at 25c yd.

Irish Mull Plaids, in choice colors, at 17c yd.

Fancy Printed Organdies at 15c yd.

High Colored Plain Organdies, in pink, blue, cardinal, lemon and Nile, at 18c yard.

High Colors in Embroidered Dotted Swisses at 22d yd.

Embroidered Linens, sheer effects, at 22c yard.

Fine French Organdies, printed in this country, at 25c yd.

Fine French Organdies, printed abroad, at 35c yd.

Fine All Wool French Challies.

Fine Silk and Wool Challies.

Bradley Bros
DRY GOODS & MILLINERY
Decatur Ill.

THE REPUBLICAN'S GREAT OFFER

Will Continue Only a Few More Days.

The Genuine and Unabridged. 25 Volumes Encyclopædia Britannica.....

NO HOME COMPLETE WITHOUT IT. TERMS TO SUIT ALL. DON'T DELAY.

The Stoddart Edition of the Britannica published by Somerville of Philadelphia.

Is the only authorized and genuine edition in America.

It is the only edition ever set in type in America.

It is Americanized by an appendix to each volume and also thousands of foot notes.

It has maps of every country in the world and every state, territory and county in the United States. It is the only Britannica that has a complete idex, four times as large as any other edition.

25 large volumes, 22,000 pages, over 7,000 engravings.

It is better than 1,000 volumes selected in any ordinary way.

The Republican has arranged for its readers to secure special rates, as well as to pay for this splendid library on terms so small as to be within the reach of all of its readers. Send us the coupon at once for full information.

DAILY REPUBLICAN:

I am desirous of getting a good Enclopædia. So please give me full information in regard to your offer of the Britannica.

Name.....

Address.....

BIG SALE

AT

Cheap Charl

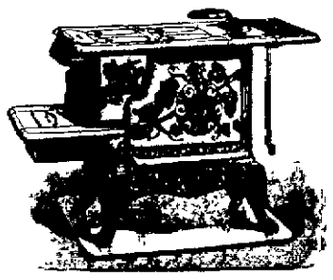
WILL CLOSE

A FEW

COME AT

SUPER

Cook Stoves and



We h Decat the ci this ti

on th with is alw buyin

A Full Line on O

Bachman Bros. &

240-252 E. MAIN

UMBRELL

The "UNO" LO

is the only perfect umbrella Nobbiest Designs in Handles; Be

Seasonable and necess

W.R. Abbo

JEWELE

HURRY

Or You Will

NOW IS THE BEST TIME TO

DRY GOODS AND MILLINERY

Goods must be sold no matter

Come and get them right now-

J. W. RACE, Assignee of

151 East Main

t Opening Sale of

GOODS.

Imported Dimities in new patterns at 18c yd.

Fine Irish Dimities at 22c yd.

Embroidered Dimities at 25c yd.

Irish Mull Plaids, in choice colors, at 17c yd.

Fancy Printed Organdies at 15c yd.

High Colored Plain Organdies, in pink, blue, cardinal, lemon and Nile, at 18c yard.

High Colors in Embroidered Dotted Swisses at 22d yd.

Embroidered Linens, sheer effects, at 22c yard.

Fine French Organdies, printed in this country, at 25c yd.

Fine French Organdies, printed abroad, at 35c yd.

Fine All Wool French Challies.

Fine Silk and Wool Challies.

Bros
LLINERY
Decatur Ill.

AN'S
T OFFER
More Days.

es Encyclopædia Britannica.....

IT ALL. DON'T DELAY.

ILY REPUBLICAN:

I am desirous of getting a good Enclo-
a. So please give me full information in
d to your offer of the Britannica.

Name.....

Address.....

BIG SALE

AT

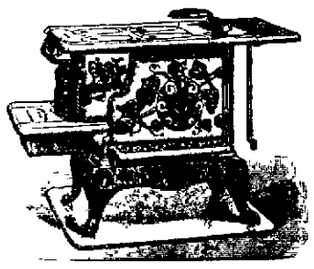
Cheap Charley's

WILL CLOSE IN A FEW DAYS!

COME AT ONCE.

SUPERIOR

Cook Stoves and Steel Ranges.



18 YEARS

We have sold these goods in Decatur. No other line in the city has been sold for half this time.

No Steel Range

on the market can compare with the "Superior." The best is always the cheapest when buying a cook stove or range.

A Full Line on Our Floor.

Bachman Bros. & Martin Co.

240-252 E. MAIN STREET.

UMBRELLAS

The "UNO" LOCK RIB

is the only perfect umbrella frame. Newest and Nobbiest Designs in Handles; Best Coverings.

Seasonable and necessary just now.

W. R. Abbott & Co.,

JEWELERS.

HURRY UP!

Or You Will Get Left!

NOW IS THE BEST TIME TO BUY.

DRY GOODS AND MILLINERY AT YOUR OWN PRICE.

Goods must be sold no matter what the sacrifice. Come and get them right now--first choice the best.

J. W. RACE, Assignee of S. G. Hatch & Bro.

151 East Main Street.

HAVE YOU TRIED

CHASE & SANBORN'S

COFFEES?

Sold Only at—

"The Economy,"

221 North Water Street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Davis—Cabs 25c, Trunks 15c.

"The Span of Life" will be the bill at the Grand tonight.

Arnold's Bromo-Celery cure headaches. 10, 25, 50 cts. Bell, the druggist.

Lent will begin next Wednesday, that day being Ash Wednesday.

The public library will be closed next Tuesday on account of Washington's birthday.

Clover hay is the best for the milk cows and the ewes with lambs.

John B Shollabarger and family have moved from North Water street to the residence at No. 640 West Main street.

The members of the Cumberland Presbyterian church expect to have their new church finished by May. The building will then be dedicated.

You should call at the C. B. Prescott music house. There you will find the celebrated Reed & Son's pianos and the family favorite Packard organs. Low prices, easy terms.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone

Cheap Rates to Mobile.

Account Mardi Gras the Wabash R. R. will on Saturday, February 19 and Sunday, February 20, sell tickets to Mobile and return via St. Louis and M. & O. railway, good returning six days, at $11.05. Good returning 10 days at $13.55. For particulars call at city or depot office. 11-dst

Retail Grocers.

I wish to inform you that I have secured the distributing agency of James Heekin & Co.'s celebrated Cincinnati High Grade Coffees. In presenting these coffees to you I do so with the assurance that they possess absolute high grade qualities, being unsurpassed in purity, strength and fine flavor. I would be pleased to have you investigate this line of highly recommended coffees. For the proof of good coffee is in the drinking thereof. Yours truly, D. F. Riddell.—15-tf

"SPAN OF LIFE" TO-NIGHT.

Acrobats Will Form the Bridge—Opera—Holdens Coming.

"THE SPAN OF LIFE."

Tonight William Calder's powerful company will present for the second time at the opera house that unique and highly successful play, "The Span of Life." The piece is a melodrama of intense interest and allows excellent scope for scenic display and highly dramatic situations At no time during the performance does interest lag an instant. There is enough comedy interwoven to break the monotony and furnish food for laughter. The company presenting the play this season is much better than any which has yet been seen here in this play.

THE HOLDENS.

The Holden Comedy company will be at the Grand all next week beginning Wednesday night. Popular prices The specialties include the following: R. Ravencroft, new songs and dances; Mabel Summers, 4 years old; Mr. Jake Baum, piano soloist; Little Alice Opie, the clever child specialist, 7 years old; Victorellis, shadowgraph artist; George H. Summers, character vocalist; Mr. Harry English, descriptive balladist; Miss Belle Stevenson, soprano, in illustrated songs; Miss Kittie DeLorme in songs and beautiful stereopticon dances.

BIG SALE FOR WILSON.

The advance sale of seats for the Francis Wilson "Half a King" opera to be given Monday evening, February 21, opened this morning, and there was a large sale. Many seats were sold. There are numerous choice seats left on both floors, and Decatur people should apply early. The outside demand is sharp, and to treat everybody alike Manager Given will see to it that the first to apply will get the choice of all seats in sight. The probabilities are that the house will be sold out by Monday night. This will be the only opera attraction of the season and it is the best to be had.

PERSONAL TAX NOTICE.

All persons having Personal Tax against them on the tax books for 1897, have been mailed a card stating the amount for the same. You are requested to call at my office and pay the same and save additional costs.

Bring your postal cards with you. Leave your receipts for last year in order to expediate the finding of property.

Office open evenings until 9 o'clock.

LANDY H. MARTIN,
Collector.

OLD MURDER CASE

States' Attorney Mills and the Faunce Sentence.

AN ANSWER TO INSINUATIONS

The Revolver and Other Matters Discussed Again — Insistent Request for New Evidence at the Coming Trial.

Some days ago States Attorney Mills gave to the public a statement in reference to the McKinley murder case. Here is another statement from Mr. Mills which is self-explanatory:

In an article in the morning Review of the 17th, it is stated: "Mr. Mills left out one thing that everybody who read his article concerning the revolver, looked for anxiously. That was a statement of the causes that lead him to believe that the revolver found in the alley, and with which McKinley was killed, belonged to Joe Mauzy. . . . Since the revolver question seems to have been partially solved by the statement of Mr. Mills, it certainly would be very interesting to know what powerful influence was brought to bear upon the mind of Mr. Mills to cause him to believe that the revolver belonged to Joe Mauzy." I take it that this article, as well as others appearing in the Review relating to the pardon of Faunce and the indictment of Mauzy, comes from Harry Wheeler, one of its reporters, and as he seems to be the leader in this movement, his statement justifies this reply.

At the time of writing that article I thought, and I still think, that a public discussion or statement from me in relation to the question as to whether or not Joe Mauzy had ever owned or possessed this revolver, in view of the approaching trial where that question will be fully considered, would be out of place.

I will say, however, for the benefit of the readers of the Review, and especially of the friends of Jack Faunce, that I have given to Mr. Crea and Mr. Leforgee, counsel appointed by the court to prosecute Mauzy, every fact and circumstance in my knowledge touching upon this question, and that if they desire to make this knowledge public I certainly have no objections.

I will also say that I never made a secret of the information that I have upon this subject. Nor have I ever claimed to possess any direct proof that Mauzy ever had or owned this revolver. All that I have ever said was that from certain facts in my possession I was inclined to the opinion that it was his revolver. I have not only been free to express this opinion, but gave it to Mr. Wheeler personally as well as to Mr. Faunce, the facts upon which I had formed this opinion, the publication of which by Mr. Wheeler would clear up the balance of this revolver mystery if he had any disposition to have it cleared up in the public mind.

In this same article is the following statement: "It is an awfully hard matter to get Mr. Mills to believe that Faunce is an innocent man. All the evidence submitted to the pardoning board failed to shake his belief in the least."

If Mr. Wheeler is really the author of this article, this is a most remarkable statement or accusation, and it is not less remarkable if made by any person having any information of the facts in relation to this case.

To Jack Faunce personally, to his friends, and to his lawyers having in charge the petitions for his pardon, I have always stated that if they could produce to me any evidence discovered since the trial that would shake my confidence in his guilt, I would recommend his pardon, and labor harder to get him out of the penitentiary than I ever did to get him in.

Prior to this recent application, there was never submitted to me a single affidavit or statement of any fact tending even in the remotest degree to prove Jack Faunce innocent of this crime.

Shortly prior to the presentation of the recent petition and affidavits to the pardoning board, Mr. Wheeler came to my office and asked me to sign Faunce's petition for pardon. This petition among other things, stated that the petitioners did not believe him guilty of the crime. I asked Mr. Wheeler what, if any, newly discovered evidence there was upon this question, saying that if there was any I would be very glad to consider it, and if it were such evidence as to show Faunce probably innocent I would sign his petition and also, if desired, I would, as required by law, prepare a statement of the facts in the case which he might have and present before the board. Mr. Wheeler did not show or offer to show me these affidavits in his possession, nor did he even advise me that he had any, or that there had been any newly discovered evidence in the matter He claimed to me that Judge Hughes had written a letter stating that he believed Faunce innocent, and that if somebody did not move in the matter soon he would. I then told Mr. Wheeler that I would write Judge Hughes and ascertain what newly discovered evidence had been presented to him, and that if his mind had been changed by it mine would also probably be changed. Mr. Wheeler then advised me that this would not be worth while as he himself had received a recent letter from Judge Hughes in which Judge Hughes had made substantially the same statements that I had made. Mr. Wheeler then took out of his pocket the letter of Judge Hughes and showed it to me. As no new evidence had been submitted to me I could not well certify to the pardoning board that Faunce was innocent.

After this petition and these affidavits had been presented to the pardoning board and late one evening Mr. Wheeler brought these affidavits to my office with a certificate already prepared for me to sign, certifying that the parties making these affidavits had not testified upon the trial of Faunce. I refused to sign this certificate without examination of the affidavits, which Mr. Wheeler very reluctantly gave me an opportunity of making. This certificate as prepared even went to the extent of desiring me to certify that certain parties who had really been prominent witnesses in the trial of Faunce, had not testified at his trial.

The examination of these affidavits, which was made on the evening they were presented, was the first time that I had ever been shown these or any other affidavits bearing upon the question of the innocence of Faunce. After reading these affidavits I stated to a number of persons that if the affidavits of Mrs. Showers and Mr. McWithy and wife were true, there was a probability that Mauzy was guilty and that Faunce was innocent of this crime, and that as to the truthfulness of these statements made in these affidavits I would make a thorough investigation.

Mr. Wheeler, nor any other person, has the right to assume or say what influence these affidavits had upon my judgment as to the guilt of Mauzy or the innocence of Faunce. The truth or falsity of these affidavits is the very question involved in the trial of Mauzy and the one now being most carefully investigated by the counsel for the defendant. And if the friends of Mr. Faunce, including Mr. Wheeler, will have the patience to wait until this question and all the facts and circumstances touching it are presented in the trial of Mauzy, they will then be able to fully judge as to its effect upon Mr. Faunce's chances for a pardon.

In the interests of justice, I hope that this case will be allowed to be tried in the court and not in the newspapers, and that any person who has any information bearing upon the question of the guilt of Mauzy, or that would aid the counsel in preparing the case against him, will make it known to Mr. Crea or Mr. Leforgee, if not to myself. I. R. MILLS.

SHAKESPEARE LECTURE.

Richard III Discussed by Miss Wadsworth Last Night.

The audience which assembled at the Woman's club rooms last evening to hear the third of the series of lectures on Shakespeare, given by Miss Wadsworth, was not so large as have attended the previous lectures but the interest manifested was greater than has yet been shown. The subject was Richard III., of which Miss Wadsworth said: "The play of Richard III. has been well called the last act of the epic drama. It has been designated as a character portrait because of the opening words of promise, 'Now is the winter of our discontent,' etc. The play has been the most acted of Shakespeare's plays and there has been more editions of it than any other. In the 18th century an attempt was made to improve on it and it was not until 1877 that Henry Irving brought it back to the old published version. Although Shakespeare has been accused of blackening the character of Richard, he sought to give him a wonderful power over men and women. A few of the critics have contended that Shakespeare did not write the play, but they have been mostly women."

After reviewing the life of Richard Miss Wadsworth said in closing: "The honorable death of Richard on the battlefield was far too good for him and is unsatisfactory to our moral sense Thus passed the last of the family of the Plantagenets. Whatever else may be said of them there was not one who was a coward."

At the conclusion of the address Miss Wadsworth asked her auditors to discuss the paper, but there seemed to be no inclination on their part to do this and she talked to them for a few moments. She said she felt with Charles Lamb that Shakespeare's plays are not for modern times and that no theatre of recent years had been able to exist on Shakespeare's plays. The average theatregoer attends not to be instructed, but to be amused. It was high time that the people should elevate the stage. She was glad to know that no reputable college would admit students who had not studied Shakespeare She believed that the desire to know Shakespeare was increasing. The student gets the best insight of his works by study for oft times the actor must needs play for effect.

Miss Wadsworth will talk on "Hamlet" at the club rooms at 8 o'clock this evening. To those interested in the study of Shakespeare the lectures given have proved the greatest treat and those that are to come are eagerly anticipated.

Mrs. John Waldren of Farmer City, has a large illustrated bible made at Nearbury, Germany in 1657, and which has been in her family for 200 years.

UNDER THE CARS

Curtis Kemp Met with an Awful Fate Last Night.

JUMPED ON A SWITCH ENGINE

While It was Moving—Inquest Held This Afternoon at Wykoff & Reeve's Undertaking Rooms.

Last night at 10:25 o'clock near the Jasper street crossing, Curtis Kemp, a 17 year old boy, was run over by switch engine No. 110, and died of his injuries half an hour later. The boy had been employed at the Huff Bros. planing mill, but expected to get a job in the Wabash yards. The boy had been around the yards a good deal as he was well acquainted with the railroad men. A short time before the accident he was talking with Switchman Tom Cuttle. The switch engine was backing from the east and it is supposed that Kemp attempted to step on the foot board. No one witnessed the accident but after the engine passed Cuttle saw the body lying on the south side of the track. Cuttle called Officer Ed Koschenski, who was near by, and the two men placed the injured boy on a door and carried him to the switch shanty.

Dr. Parish, the Wabash surgeon, was called and on examining the boy said that he was fatally injured. The toes of the right foot were cut off and the right leg was broken at the thigh, the back of the head was cut to the skull. A messenger was sent to the boy's home at 1360 East North street. The father, John Kemp, asked that the boy be brought home, but in half an hour he was dead and Deputy Coroner Roy Bendure was notified and came and took charge of the remains. The body was taken to the undertaking rooms of Wykoff and Reeve.

Kemp was a bright young man and was well liked by the railroad men among whom he had many friends. He was a brother of Edward A. Kemp, Wabash brakeman.

This afternoon Deputy Coroner Roy Bendure held the inquest at Wykoff and Reeve's rooms. Five witnesses were examined. They were Engineer George Dempsey and Fireman Charles White, who were running the engine; Switchman Tom Cuttle, Dr. Parish and Officer Ed Koschinski.

HEAD END COLLISION.

Two Electric Cars on West Main Street Come Together.

There was a collision of two of the electric cars last night on the West Main street branch between Church and Union streets. Two cars, one running east and the other running west, came together with a crash. One of the cars was badly damaged but no one was injured.

Car No. 20, run by Motorman James Gray, was coming from the west. Car No. 15 was coming from the square. Tom Weaver, the motorman on No. 15, said that he thought the other car was going to stand on the switch near Edward street, so he started down the hill from the square. The man on the switch thought that the other car was going to wait at the square, so he also started. Both cars were going down hill. When the motormen saw that there was to be an accident they both put on their brakes and turned off the power, but on account of the down grade and the fact that the tracks were in a very slippery condition it was impossible to stop the cars and they came together with a terrific crash. Both of the motormen jumped off their cars just before the collision took place; neither was hurt. Fortunately there were no passengers aboard. Car No. 20 suffered the worst. The front platform was crushed under the car, so that the car and the top were broken. Some of the windows in the other car were broken, but it was not otherwise damaged to any extent. Other men were called to assist and the cars were soon hauled to the barn for repairs. The motormen said that the tracks were so slippery that it was impossible for them to stop while they were on the grade.

Plan this winter to reduce the number of waste places on the farm.

Awarded
Highest Honors—World's Fair.
DR.
PRICE'S
CREAM
BAKING
POWDER
MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant
40 Years the Standard

Daily Republican

B. K. HAMSHER | W. F. CALHOUN.
HAMSHER & CALHOUN, Prop'rs
DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

Entered at Decatur as second class mail matter

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.
Mail, postage paid, one year.....$5.00
Delivered by carrier to any part of city
Per week, 10 cents; Yearly, in advance..$5.00
Postal card requests, or orders through telephone No. 43, will secure early attention of carriers in any district.
Address THE EVENING REPUBLICAN, 125 South Water street, Decatur, Illinois.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1898.

FEBRUARY—1898.

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
....	....	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	....	....	....	....	....

WEATHER.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Illinois: Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday; colder tonight, probably warmer Saturday afternoon; brisk northeast winds.

The Destruction of the Maine.

Nothing has so stirred the American people as the destruction in Havana harbor of the American battleship Maine, and the appalling loss of life which attended the blowing up of the ship.

If it shall appear that this great calamity is due to Spain or any of its agents the demand which will come from the American people for redress cannot be restrained. The people believed before this calamity occurred that the United States has already too long postponed interference to end the war in Cuba and were in no mood to hear of such a disaster to the navy. Whether the Maine was destroyed by Spanish treachery or not the loss only adds to the enormous column of expense this country has incurred on account of the war in Cuba in an effort to maintain neutrality. We have expended perhaps a million dollars since the war began watching and endeavoring to prevent fillibustering and to this is added the three or four million dollars of money loss represented by the Maine and its equipment while the slaughter of 400 American lives cannot be estimated in dollars and cents. It is only measured by the anguish of fathers and mothers who have lost their sons.

The United States should put a stop to this useless war. Useless because Spain cannot subdue the insurgents and restore peace, and Spain should not be permitted to carry on a war of extermination. Take the loss of life, the loss of money and the danger to our own tranquility, the loss of commerce, and add them, and surely we have endured enough and lost enough to warrant us as a nation in violating if necessary every line of international law. The time has come to act. Let us rise to the importance of the occasion and remove the Spanish pest and the Spanish torpedo from our door. We have been in jeopardy long enough.

Extending Use of Corn.

A convention of representatives from 31 states has been in session this week at the Great Northern hotel in Chicago, discussing ways and means to promote a wider use of corn for food and for other purposes. These representatives are from Illinois and other corn raising states. The convention was unanimous in a desire to further educate the people of Europe in the use of corn as food so as to give corn wider market.

Among the things in which the use of corn is involved, that came before the convention was a fiery resolution against any action on the part of congress to regulate the use of corn. This resolution was headed off by the adoption of the following substitute:

Resolved, That this convention commends the earnest efforts of the manufacturers of new corn food and other products to increase the use of corn. So long as such products are honestly made and sold for what they are, they have nothing to fear.

This resolution has reference to the bill introduced in congress by Senator Mason to prevent the mixing of corn flour with wheat flour, and placing the mixture on the market as wheat flour. The bill provides for taxing this mixture so as to destroy the profit to the manufacturer or mixer and at the same time the motive for mixing. This is an extreme proposition. On the other hand we find in these who oppose any legislation on the subject the other extreme. It would be unjust to tax, to the injury of the producer, any wholesome product of corn. It is equally unjust to deceive the consumer by selling him for wheat flour that which is not wheat flour.

This convention of representative corn raisers by their resolution commending the manufacturers of new corn food, for their genius, and declaring that so long as those products are honestly made and sold they have nothing to fear has taken a logical position which is between these extremes. It is not only logical in its position, but shows that it has no fear of any bill taxing corn products to suppress them passing congress. It can easily be inferred from the resolution, however, the convention expects that some legislation is likely to obtain which will cause these products to be honestly sold the consumer by requiring the product to be labeled, truthfully, whether sold pure or mixed with the flour of wheat. While serious and honest objections can be raised as to the pending bill, which has no show of passing and becoming a law, no fair objection could be raised to a law requiring the mixture to be labelled so as to indicate the proportion of corn flour to that of wheat to protect the consumer.

Nothing could injure the progress toward the wider use of corn than attempts to deceive the consumer as to the products of corn. Such deception would at once be detected not only at home, but abroad, and immediately great prejudice would be aroused against the corn product and all sort of extremes would be resorted to to destroy the use of corn in these new forms and the corn raiser as a result would find his market injured instead of benefited. What the corn raiser should demand is precisely what this convention has hinted at, namely, that the product shall be honestly made and honestly sold for what it is. Otherwise the producer would be injured. This country has never yet succeeded in creating a foreign market for any product by deception and never can. Dishonest importers of live stock, beef, pork and fruit have injured the American producer in the foreign markets one hundred fold more than they have benefited anybody by questionable methods. The action of this convention will be indorsed by every corn raiser who knows how to protect his interests.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss
LUCAS COUNTY,

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, 1886.

{SEAL} A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Stop drugging yourself with quack nostrums, or "cures." Get a well-known pharmaceutical remedy that will do the work. Catarrh and Cold in the head will not cause suffering if Ely's Cream Balm is used. Druggists will supply 10c trial size or 50c. full size. We mail it.

ELY BROS., 56 Warren st., N. Y. City

Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls, Mont., recommended Ely's Cream Balm to me. I can emphasize his statement. "It is a positive cure for catarrh if used as directed."—Rev. Francis W. Poole, Pastor Central Pres. Church, Helena, Mont.

A Paxton business man, commenting on the better times, says he has just sold at $90 each six horses which he could not sell last winter at any price.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

Thomas Jefferson, aged 84 years, died at Farmer City after several months decline.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Mansfield & Co., of Tuscola, received and handled 257 wagon loads of grain one day recently.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Woodson of Champaign, holds the championship as checker player of that county.

Fatality of Croup.

Statistics show that thousands of infants and children yearly die of membranous croup. We do not exaggerate when we state that every one of these innocents could have been saved had Foley's Honey and Tar been given in time. Can you afford to be without it in your household? H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

William Huppert of Sibley has moved to his newly purchased property in Melvin.

CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

THE LATEST IN TRAPS.

It Is the Invention of a Down-East Hen Farmer.

He Made Use of Roosters to Catch Hawks, and Now Uses the Hawks to Steal Poultry from His Neighbors.

The end of the year always brings gladness to the Maine hen culturist. By getting an advance copy of a life insurance calendar and pulling off three or four of the front leaves, he can hang it against the wall by the side of the condition powder "ad." in the living rooms of the poultry emporium, and browbeat the illiterate and unsophisticated fowl into the idea that it is already March, and thus coax them to lay prematurely, thereby getting 30 cents a dozen for hen products that wouldn't bring half that price if they were plucked in season.

At this peaceful season, when glad bells ring out and the mail carrier deposits great bundles of dunning letters at every door, the hen hawk soars abroad "on tireless pinions," and also on a rampage, and hawks up whatever loose poultry he can observe.

The most to be dreaded variety of hen hawk begins to distribute samples of his handiwork over the Maine fields soon after the ground freezes, depositing chunks and sections of raw hen and fluffy bunches of feathers by roadsides and among bushes as if he were baiting a line of traps and had just put out his tales.

These are left on knolls and other exposed places, so that the family rooster may see them and be beguiled into believing they are some of his own wives detained from home against their will, and thus venture out to the rescue. Should he do so, he invariably discovers a hawk near by and does not return until the wind shifts and brings him back on the installment plan.

As the days grow shorter and a leaden haze comes down to chink up the cracks in the horizon, one of these lazy hawks will frequently alight upon a

THE TRAINED COCKERELS.

low-flying cloud and float over the poultry zone to inspect his larder, sometimes hopping off from a misty crag to pick up a broiler, but soon mounting again and resuming his ride.

When Gus Anderson started his maternity hospital for laying hens out in the borders of Hudson he had great trouble with hawks. Early in the morning, when he was asleep, they would come to his incubator and look over the sprouting eggs to learn what the prospects were for spring chicken.

At first Gus swore at them in two or three languages. Then he bought a gun, and the first time he fired it off the doctor's charge for fixing him up and stopping the leaks was $12.75; but as the shot which had keeled him over had also killed enough of his own poultry to keep him in chicken broth until he was fully recovered, he didn't mind it so much if the hawk had been slain.

Every day the doctor came to see him the hawk called, too, and took a choice capon which was worth a dollar in Bangor. This was aggravating at first, but when the doctor sent in his bill and asked a dollar and a half a call, Gus saw where he had made his mistake, and swore a big swear that he would never pay nine shillings for a physician when he could get all the hawks he wanted for a dollar apiece.

Later Gus invested in steel traps until the price of hardware went up 20 per cent. He set the traps on top of tall poles, on the peaks of buildings and in narrow gorges of wire netting that led to where the poultry were concealed. By the time he had caught a $25 dog, two skunks and six of his own laying hens he concluded that he had bought the wrong kind of traps and returned them, saying he wanted some that would catch hawks, as he was able to capture all the hens he wanted without artificial aid.

The company promptly repudiated its goods and returned the traps, with a note which told him to set them on the back of his roosters if he wanted to secure the best results.

After this, says the Boston Globe, Gus got all the hawks he wanted, or at least all that came his way looking for fowls. In a short time he had trained a brace of young cockerels to load themselves with traps and walk out to the woods where the hawks lurked and crow lustily to advertise themselves.

When the hawks heard the notes of jollification they made a dash for fresh chicken and got caught, after which the roosters towed them home.

As the traps nipped the hawks' legs no harder than just enough to hold them, the birds were not seriously injured, and so Gus tamed a pair and sent them out to hunt for fowls that belonged to somebody else.

No sooner were his hawks engaged in the roost-nabbing business than Gus changed their names and called them gyrfalcons.

REDEMPTION NOTICES.

To Ann Thomas and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and special assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1896, W. H. Smith purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county, to-wit: Lot fourteen (14), Block one (1), S. K. Thompson's Addition to the city of Decatur, for the taxes for the year 1895, including special taxes and special assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of Ann Thomas, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 25th day of June, 1898

MARY P. MURPHEY, Assignee.

To W. C. Miller and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and special assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1896, W. H. Smith purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county, to wit Lot thirty one (31), Block five, Enterprise Addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes for the year 1895, including special taxes and special assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of W. C. Miller, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 25th day of June 1898

MARY P. MURPHEY, Assignee.

To J. S. Thayer and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and special assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and the state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1896 W. H Smith purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county, to wit: Lot three (4) Block four (4) East Park Boulevard, town of Decatur for the taxes for the year 1895, including special taxes and special assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of J. S. Thayer and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 24th day of June 1898

MARY P. MURPHY, Assignee.

To C. W. Garver and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and special assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 26th day of June, A. D. 1896, W. H. Smith purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county, to-wit. Lot fourteen (14), Block six (6), Garver's Addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes for the year 1895, including special taxes and special assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of C. W. Garver, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 26th day of June, 18 8.

J. L. MURPHEY, Assignee.

To Mrs. Mull and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and special assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1896 W. H. Smith purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county, to-wit: Lot eleven (11), Block fourteen, (14), of H. A. Wood's Subdivision of Block thirteen (13), fourteen (14) and fifteen (15) of Gulick's Addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes for the year 18.5, including special taxes and special assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of Mrs. Mull, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 24th day of June, 18 8.

JOHN L. MURPHEY, Assignee.

To Ceora Andrews and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described. You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and special assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and the state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1896, W. H. Smith purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county to-wit: Lot fourteen (14) block three (3), Rolling Mill third (3rd) addition to the city of Decatur for the taxes for the year 1895, including special taxes and special assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of Ceora Andrews and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 25th day of June, 1898.

MARY P. MURPHEY, Assignee.

Feb. 16-d3w Fri.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. In the
MACON COUNTY, } Circuit Court.

James F. Thomas, Complainant, vs. Benedict M. Brookshier et al., Defendants—In Chancery No 16235.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said Court, A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 12, 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to wit: Lot seven (7) of Mattie E. Blaine's Subdivision of Lots seven (7) and eight (8), in Block three (3), of Lake & Co.'s Addition of outlots to the City of Decatur, situated in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 18th day of February, A. D. 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Bunn & Park, Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb 18-d3w

Adam Ort of Green Valley, has just shelled and shipped 17,000 bushels of corn.

A Flag of Warning.

Beware of the dry, tickling, hacking, morning cough, for it warns you that consumption lurks near. The famous Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will cure it. "I had a very bad cough. One doctor pronounced it consumption. I used Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup and was completely cured; the cough left me and has never come back. Simon Smasal, 375 31st Street, Chicago, Ills." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup costs but 25 cents. Ask for Bull's, take only Bull's.

20 Per Cent. Discount Sale!

In order to entirely clean out our present stock of Winter Wear, we will give you one-fifth off on every Overcoat, Suit, Reefer, Pant and Heavy Underwear for Man, Boy or Child, which we have. In Kersey and Melton Overcoats, we are selling many of them at the price which we must pay for new ones, owing to advances in the cost of both material and labor, and at a discount of 20 per cent. from our prices they are remarkably cheap. This is your time to lay in a supply. We court comparison on prices.

B. STINE CLOTHING CO.

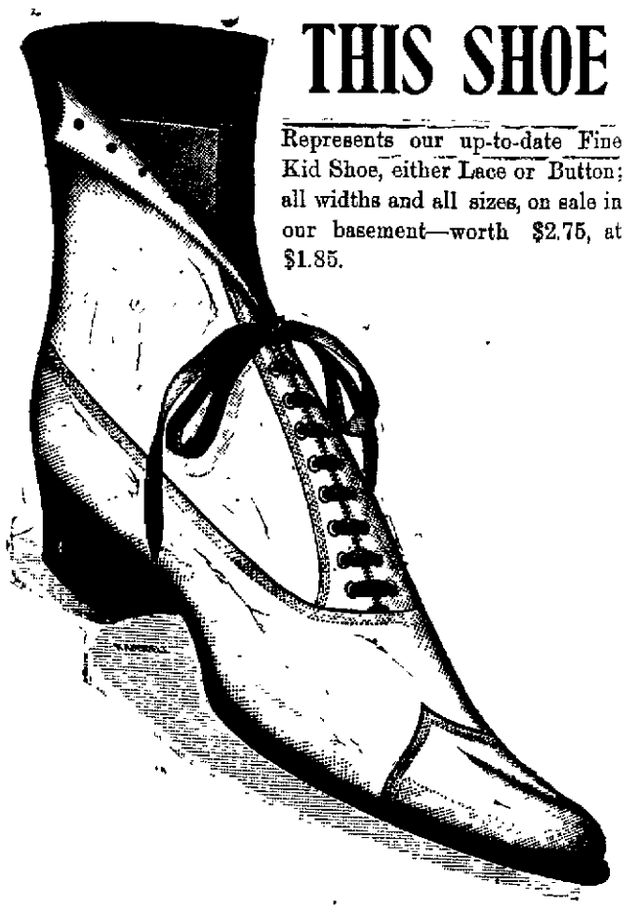
241-249 NORTH WATER STREET,
Next to Bradley Bros.

SHOES FREE!

Absolutely Free!

Of all Imperfections in our Basement. It is like loaning money at double compound interest to purchase shoes in our Basement.

Ladies' Bicycle Boots, $3.50 grades, Vicii Kid..... $1.50
Misses' Tan Button Shoes, $2.50 grade..... $1.00
Hannan & Son's Shoes, $6.00..... $2.00



THIS SHOE

Represents our up-to-date Fine Kid Shoe, either Lace or Button; all widths and all sizes, on sale in our basement—worth $2.75, at $1.85.

POWERS' SHOE STORE,

143 EAST MAIN STREET, South Side of Street,

Half a Block East of Transfer House.

SAVED BY TWO DREAMS.

A Thrilling Story from the Grand Banks Fishing Fleet.

A Pair of a Poor Castaway's Shipmates Had Visions and Went to His Rescue—Their Dreams Came True.

The life of Arthur Frazier, one of the crew of the Eliza S. Foster, the fisherman just in from the Grand Banks, was saved by a dream.

One day when he was out in a dory there was a strong northwest wind, says the Boston Journal, and a heavy fog shut down and hid the ship from view. He was making for the vessel with a heavy load of fish, when a heavy sea boarded his dory, carrying away one of his oars and nearly making his boat unseaworthy. This left him in a helpless condition, and he was at the mercy of the wind and waves.

In the morning the wind was strong and the fog hung low. No sign of Frazier could be seen. There was a large fleet of vessels from different parts of the world—France, Portugal, Ireland and America—and when Frazier failed to return members of his crew went among the near-by ones and reported a man lost. Not one had heard of him. At about noon the sun came out and pushed the clouds of fog away, but the wind held to the same point.

The Foster hoisted the flag to half-mast to give notice to the fleet of a missing man. The custom is in such cases that should the man be on any other of the fleet an answer of flag at half-mast is given. No answer came all the afternoon. The flag still held that position, and the wind kept up almost a gale. That night passed; no Frazier appeared, and during the night the wind shifted two points to south'ard.

Next morning it was back to northwest again. Frazier was given up as lost. It was supposed that the dory was capsized when his calls were heard, so the men resumed their work with a

THE RESCUE.

feeling of sorrow, for Frazier was the life of the crew, and kept them in constant laughter.

At about four o'clock in the afternoon, as the cook was scanning the horizon with a glass, he noticed a black speck in the ocean. He told the captain and crew and asked them to look. They did so. One man said it was a whale, another thought it was a ship, and so on. The cook and John White, who were the close friends of Frazier, believed it must be he, and proposed to lower a boat and go to meet him.

Both men had an odd dream the night before. The cook dreamed that Frazier had lost an oar, and that the wind had borne him away, and he said he was called out of a sound sleep by Frazier, who said: "Don't give me up. I'm beating back." White said his dream was that Frazier had broken his right arm and could use only one oar; that he was alive and hungry in mid ocean. Both men, on comparing notes, found that they were awakened on the same instant by Frazier calling them and telling them: "For heaven's sake, take a dory and come to leeward."

When they saw this speck on the ocean they lowered a dory, in spite of the jeers of some others of the crew, and put off. They rowed in the direction of the dot, and soon were out of sight themselves, for a heavy fog had shut from view the ship, but not the little tattered sail ahead. At six o'clock they reached a boat that was beating against the wind, and, sure enough, it was Frazier. He was in the stern, using the oar as a tiller. It was just as they had dreamed, he had but one oar, and his arm was disabled from a blow received in fitting the main boom.

He was in a frightful condition. He didn't appear to notice the boat till they were within a few hundred yards of him; then White yelled to Frazier and the latter fainted away with joy. His boat began drifting and the other oar went over the rail. It was quite a prize, but the rescuers soon overtook the dory and took the man to their own boat, and, letting the dory go to sea, they made for the ship.

That night there was intense excitement aboard ship. There were three men missing now. Fog horns were blown and bells rung till a late hour, and then, as if the last hope for their return had been given up, the noise all died away. The trio in the boat, who had neared the ship, now could not make themselves heard against the wind. All night long did they beat their way against the wind, their only hope being to hold the same position till daybreak.

As the day dawned they were surprised to find that the fog had lifted, that they had passed the ship and that they were about three miles to windward, but the fleet was in sight. There was no difficulty in getting back to ship, where they were taken aboard. Frazier was nearly exhausted for want of food and water.

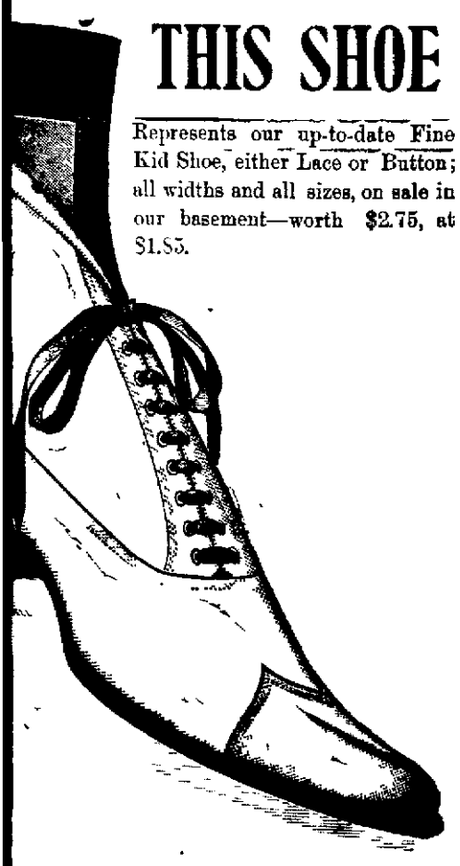
Per Cent.
ount
!

er to entirely clean out our
t stock of Winter Wear, we
ive you one-fifth off on every
at, Suit, Reefer, Pant and
Underwear for Man, Boy or
which we have. In Kersey
elton Overcoats, we are sel-
nany of them at the price
we must pay for new ones,
to advances in the cost of
naterial and labor, and at a
nt of 20 per cent. from our
they are remarkably cheap.
your time to lay in a supply.
urt comparison on prices.

B. STINE
CLOTHING CO.
ORTH WATER STREET,
to Bradley Bros.

ES FREE!
solutely Free!
ctions in our Basement. It is like
oney at double compound interest to
hoes in our Basement.
ots, $3 50 grades, Vicii Kid..... $1.50
n Shoes, $2.50 grade..... $1.00
hoes, $1 00..... $2.00

THIS SHOE
Represents our up-to-date Fine Kid Shoe, either Lace or Button; all widths and all sizes, on sale in our basement—worth $2.75, at $1.85.



RS' SHOE STORE,
MAIN STREET, South Side of Street,
f a Block East of Transfer House.

SAVED BY TWO DREAMS.

A Startling Story from the Grand Banks Fishing Fleet.

A Boy of a Poor Castaway's Shipmates Had Visions and Went to His Rescue—Their Dreams Came True.

T[illegible] Arthur Frazier, one of the [illegible] Eliza S Foster, the fisher[illegible] from the Grand Banks, was sa[illegible] dream [illegible] water he was out in a dory [illegible] strong northwest wind, says [illegible] Journal, and a heavy fog [illegible] the ship from view. [illegible] for the vessel with a [illegible] fish, when a heavy sea [illegible] dory, carrying away one [illegible] nearly making his boat [illegible] This left him in a help[illegible] and he was at the mercy [illegible] waves.

[illegible] the wind was strong [illegible] low. No sign of Fra[illegible] seen There was a large [illegible] from different parts of [illegible] France, Portugal, Ireland [illegible] and when Frazier failed [illegible] members of his crew went [illegible] near-by ones and reported a [illegible] Not one had heard of him. [illegible] noon the sun came out and [illegible] clouds of fog away, but the [illegible] to the same point

[illegible] hoisted the flag to half-[illegible] notice to the fleet of a [illegible] The custom is in such [illegible] should the man be on any [illegible] this fleet an answer of flag at [illegible] is given. No answer came [illegible] afternoon The flag still held [illegible] and the wind kept up al[illegible] That night passed, no [illegible] appeared and during the night [illegible] shifted two points to south'ard [illegible] morning it was back to northwest [illegible] Frazier was given up as [illegible] It was supposed that the dory [illegible] when his calls were heard, so [illegible] men resumed their work with a

THE RESCUE.

[illegible] sorrow, for Frazier was the [illegible] crew, and kept them in consi[illegible]

[illegible] four o'clock in the after[illegible] cook was scanning the hori[illegible] glass, he noticed a black [illegible] the ocean. He told the captain [illegible] crew and asked them to look [illegible] so One man said it was a [illegible] another thought it was a ship, and so on The cook and John White, who were the close friends of Frazier, [illegible] it must be he, and proposed to [illegible] a boat and go to meet him.

[illegible] had an odd dream the night before The cook dreamed that Frazier had lost an oar, and that the wind [illegible] him away, and he said he [illegible] out of a sound sleep by Frazier who said "Don't give me up. I'm [illegible] back" White said his dream [illegible] Frazier had broken his right [illegible] could use only one oar; that [illegible] was [illegible] and hungry in mid ocean. [illegible] men on comparing notes, found [illegible] were awakened on the same [illegible] by Frazier calling them and [illegible] them "For heaven's sake, take a [illegible] and come to leeward"

[illegible] they saw this speck on the [illegible] they lowered a dory, in spite of [illegible] of some others of the crew, and [illegible] They rowed in the direction of [illegible] and soon were out of sight [illegible] for a heavy fog had shut [illegible] the ship, but not the little [illegible] ahead At six o'clock they reached [illegible] that was beating against the wind and, sure enough, it was Frazier He was in the stern, using the [illegible] It was just as they had [illegible] he had but one oar, and his [illegible] disabled from a blow received [illegible] the main boom

He was in a frightful condition He [illegible] to notice the boat till they were within a few hundred yards of him [illegible] White yelled to Frazier and [illegible] fainted away with joy. His boat began drifting and the other oar went over the rail It was quite a race, but the rescuers soon overtook the dory and took the man to their own boat, and [illegible] the dory go to sea, they [illegible] the ship.

[illegible] night there was intense excitement on board ship There were three men missing now Fog horns were blown and bells rung till a late hour, and even as if the last hope for their [illegible] had been given up, the noise all [illegible] The trio in the boat, who had reached the ship, now could not make themselves heard against the wind All night long did they beat their way against the wind, their only hope being to hold the same position till daybreak

As the day dawned they were surprised to find that the fog had lifted, that they had passed the ship and that they were about three miles to windward but the fleet was in sight. There was no difficulty in getting back to ship where they were taken aboard. Frazier was nearly exhausted for want of food and water.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 18

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Yest'day.
Wheat—					
Feb.....	——	——	——	——	108
May.....	1 03	104	102¾	103⅝	104⅝
July.....	89⅝	89¾	88⅝	88⅞	90
Corn—					
Feb.....	——	——	——	29	29½
May.....	30⅞	30⅞	30¼	30¼	30⅞
July.....	32	32	31⅝	31⅞	32⅜
Oats—					
Feb.....	——	——	——	25⅞	26⅝
May.....	27	27	26⅝	26⅞	27⅞
July.....	24⅜	24½	24	24	24⅛
Pork—					
May.....	11 12½	11 17½	10 90	10 95	11 07
Lard—					
May.....	5 20	5 22	5.15	5 17½	5 17½
Ribs—					
May.....	5 27½	5 30	5 25	5.25	5.25

May wheat: Puts, 101¼. Calls, 103, Curb 103½.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—27, Estimated, 25, a year ago 21
Corn—357, Estimated, 325 a year ago, 237
Oats—175, Estimated, 104, a year ago, 290.

Estimates for To-Morrow.

Wheat, 65, Corn, 650, Oats, 200.

Hogs

Hog receipts, 20,000. Estimated, 32,000.
Market steady.
Light, $3 80@4 05 Mixed $3.90@4.10,
Heavy $4.00@4.12 Rough, $3 85@3.95.
Estimated for to-morrow, 18,000.

Cattle

Cattle receipts, 3,000. Market steady.

Rescuing a Mule from the Ocean.

"An interesting incident happened when I was in Honolulu," said Senator Morgan the other day "You know the natives are magnificent swimmers. They take to the water like ducks. One day a cargo of mules was being carried on a barge to a steamer lying off shore, when one of the mules jumped overboard and made for the shore When he landed on the beach he looked around, and, seeing all the other mules still being carried toward the steamer, he went out into the surf again and started in the direction of the barge. After he had gone some distance a great wave came along and turned him over When he righted himself he was absolutely wild, and blindly headed for mid-ocean The men on the barge watched him for awhile, and then the captain asked if it was proposed to let the animal drown. Quick as a flash one of the Kanakas sprang overboard, swam at a tangent to intercept the mule, and, reaching the animal, climbed upon his back, and by clever tactics directed the animal to the steamer, riding him like a centaur in the water all the way"—Washington Post

—A horse belonging to a Mr Henry Floyd of Louisville recently had all its diseased teeth removed and a new set of false ones put in The animal enjoys the distinction of being the only horse living with false teeth

—Godfrey, of Bouillon's castle, in the Ardennes, is to be restored at the expense of King Leopold of Belgium

The Greatest Discovery Yet.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says "We won't keep house without Dr King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, etc" It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores.

G. H. Thompson of Fairbury has purchased a grocery stock at La Harpe.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing is requested to call on H. W. Bell or N. L Krone and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar, which always gives relief.

Poplin and its next of kin, velours, maintain their hold on the fancy, though there are many rivals in the field.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing is requested to call on H. W. Bell or N L Krone and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar, which always gives relief.

A L McKee has sold his stock farm near Roberts at $87.50 per acre and purchased a 240 acre farm near Paxton at $67 50 per acre.

Aldermen H. Cosher and H. W. Lackey of Gilman indulged in a fight at the close of a recent council meeting and were each fined $3 and costs

A Short, Sad, Story.

A Cold.
Neglect.
Pneumonia.
Grief.

Had Foley's Honey and Tar been used, this story would have had a happier ending H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Sleeve caps are shallower and less full than of old.

Glad Tidings to Asthma Sufferers.

Foley's Honey and Tar gives quick and positive relief to all cases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Nothing surpasses the daintiness of the gray hat, which is such a decided favorite this winter.

In six days Walker & Snell of Mowequa, received 24,000 bushels and in one day 5000 bushels of corn.

By common agreement the cigar dealers of Champaign have discarded the use of slot wheels and similar devices for attracting custom.

The Illinois Central paymaster paid out $25,000 to $30,000 in Clinton Wednesday a large part of which reaches the merchants of that city.

Henry Arends has bought the Michael Bristle corner block in Melvin for $1400.

PERSONAL.

—B. W. Campbell of Cincinnati is in the city visiting W H. Starr and family.

—Rev J W. Boggess went to Polo this morning

—H P. Luse of Bloomington is in the city.

—Miss Lillian King will entertain informally this evening.

—Mrs. Carl Widikin of Niantic is in the city today

—B. H. McHenry of Moweaqua is in Decatur today

—Mrs. Alonzo Eyman of Harristown visited with Decatur friends today.

—Mrs. J. H Willoughby of Macon is the guest of Decatur friends

—Mrs T. W Douglas is very ill at her home on East William street.

—Ex-Senator Hogan of Mound City, was in Decatur today, negotiating a land deal through the agency of Attorney John A. Brown

—Ormand Davis, who has been the guest of his cousin, D B Folrath, left this morning for his home at Troy, Ohio.

—Henry Hamrich is a new messenger boy at the Postal telegraph office He was lately at Linn & Scruggs store

Stephen S Meek and William F. Vaughn of this city have been granted original pensions through the agency of M. Shea.

—Mr and Mrs. F W. Caldwell are entertaining Mr Caldwell's mother, Mrs. W. B Caldwell of Monticello, and a cousin, Luther Baisby of Chicago.

—L E. Brown of Delavan is returning from a visit of three weeks in Ohio and stopped to call upon Decatur friends today.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Easterly have taken apartments with Mrs. Hart at the corner of Franklin and East North streets and will go to housekeeping next week

—W F. Widack of Bethany is in the city to take treatment for a serious case of inaflammation of the lachrymal canal and sack. Dr. J W. Sanders has charge of the case.

—Miss Florence Coffin and sister, Mrs Murphy of Indianapolis, are being entertained by Miss Schuler at the First M. E parsonage.

—Miss Maude Evans has returned home after a visit of eight months with relatives at Denver, Col

—Mrs. Adam Seaforth has returned from a visit at Maroa

—Mrs. Charles T Johnson, who has been ill for some time, is recovering

—Mr. and Mrs Risinger of Bloomington are visiting with Mr and Mrs A F. McDonald of East North street

—Miss Bertha Chamberlain of Farmer City is the guest of her cousin, Miss Gertrude Chamberlain

—Mr and Mrs. R. T. Reeve of Springfield are the guests of Mr. and Mrs John A. Reeve of West Macon street.

—J. B. Johnson returned last evening from a stay of three days in Jacksonville, with relatives.

—Dr. F J Duldey of Cerro Gordo was in the city yesterday

—Mrs. Anna Maxwell will leave on next Monday for little Rock, Ark. to join her husband who has accepted a position in a jewelry store at that place

—Mrs. Charles Fletcher of Mt. Zion Mrs. A. T. Willoughby and daughter of Macon, Mrs O T. Williams of Emery were shopping in Decatur today.

—Mrs John Freeman of Carlinville is the guest of Mrs James Freeman.

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kindeys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its normal vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed, Only 50c. a bottle at J. E King's and C, F. Shilling's Drug Store.

Atlanta has a club for the study of the financial question, with W. B. Stroud, Jr., president and J S Hively, secretary.

At Pesotum 78 wagon loads of grain had to stand over night, recently, waiting a chance to unload.

Henry C. Brees of Peoria has bought the furniture and undertaking business of Arthur Elkin at Eureka.

The sleeve cans on one very close sleeve with a pointed wrist may be plain or finely tucked.

There are 100,000 women workers in New York city who support families.

Honesty and Virtue.

There is more honesty and virtue contained in a bottle of Salvation Oil, than in any other liniment known. "Mrs. A. Fiedler, 2554 Palethorp St., Philadelphia, Pa, confirms this truth: She found Salvation Oil to be an excellent remedy for rheumatism, stiff joints, bruises, etc., and thinks it should always be kept in the house." Don't listen to the dealer's arguments in favor of a substitute. Insist on getting Salvation Oil, it costs only 25 cts.

LINN AND SCRUGGS
DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

Millinery Sacrifice...

A Saturday Sale full of radical price lowerings. Small lots and broken lines of this season's choicest conceptions in Walking Hats, Sailors, Toques and Caps for Ladies, Misses, Children and Babies—all assorted and priced ridiculously low—in many cases not over one-fifth former figures.

50 Children's Tam O'Shanters—round and square—Corduroys, Felts and Flannels—solid colors and fancy plaids—trimmed with Astrachan and Patent Leathers—worth in a regular way from 75c to $1 39. Choice of entire lot at—
25c

90 Ladies' Walking Hats—a dozen or so popular colors—trimmed with plain and plaid ribbon sash bands—new, desirable shapes, representing correct ideas for this season's wear. They sold at from 75c to $1 50. The entire lot is now marked at two low figures—
25c and 49c

35 Misses' Trimmed Sailors and College Hats—a good line of fashionable and wanted colors This lot embraces some of the foremost novelties of the season that sold from 79c to $1 25. All at one price, now—
49c

One table of Ladies' Handsome "Redfern" Toques, together with a small lot of Children's Trimmed Hats—worth to $2.98. Choice of any hat on this table at—
49c

One table of Elegant Silk Baby Hoods—all dark, desirable colors—silk lined—handsomely trimmed—worth from 89c to $1 49 Choice of any hood on this table at—
50c

LINN AND SCRUGGS
DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

Saturday Hosiery...

Probably half the people in Decatur regularly buy their hosiery at The Big Store, so there's little that we can tell them—they know all about the genuine goodness of every pair. To those who do not come here always, we extend a cordial invitation to call tomorrow and participate in the money saving. We append a few price reasons why you should accept our invitation.

We've a leader in Boys' Bicycle Hose—in all sizes from 6 to 10—made with extra heavy double knee—able to withstand the roughest juvenile wear—the very best 25c stocking that we've ever been able to get A special with us to morrow at—
15c pair

Then we have about fifty pair of Fine Lisle Thread Double Knee Stockings for boys and girls that always sold at 25c pair. They're all marked—
15c pair

Women's Fast Black Two Thread Stockings—extra heavy or medium weight—the sort you've bought all season as a bargain at 12½c pair. For to morrow they're only—
9c pair

Fifty Dozen Ladies' Black Lisle Thread Stockings—high spliced heel and double soles—a stocking never offered in all Decatur under 35c pair. It's a leader for Saturday and you may take one or a dozen pair at the popular price of—
25c pair

LINN AND SCRUGGS
DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

A Glove Bargain...

If your'e looking for a real bargain chance in high-grade gloves you'll be interested in this bit of news. We've grouped together the odds and ends of three or four different lines of Ladies' Kid Gloves—in a half dozen desirable shades. Most of them sold at $1.00 and $1.25 pair but a few pairs sold at even higher figures. Taken all together they present a complete size line, but we strongly advise an early visit as the lot is limited and the entire assortment will doubtless leave us before the close of the day. For Saturday you may pick your choice of the lot at—
59c pair

Nature Knew
How many teeth were needed when she counted out thirty-two. She didn't make any to be extracted. You need all of them—even that aching one—but you don't need the ache. Proper care, if taken early, will prevent aches—if taken in time, will stop aches, and if not taken until too late to save the tooth by filling it we can crown it, thereby restoring its usefulness.
DR. CHILDS, Dentist.
Rooms 6 and 7, over Bradley Bros.

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.
CHAS. LAUX, Proprietor.
South Side Lincoln Square, Decatur, Ill

Freeman Bros.,
150 MERCHANT ST.
Have the finest line of
SPRING AND SUMMER SHOES
In the city.
Have all colors, sizes and widths.
We are sole agents in Decatur for
"SOROSIS"
the new shoe for women.

BRASS BAND
Instruments, Drums, Uniforms, Equipments for Bands and Drum Corps. Lowest prices ever quoted. Fine Catalog, 68 illustrations, mailed free, it gives Band Music & Instruction for Amateur Bands.
LYON & HEALY,
Adams St., Chicago, Ill.

Assignee Sale
ABEL CARPET WALL PAPER CO.
Entire stock at a price.
Many articles one-half off.
J. W. RACE, Assignee.
feb 8 d&w30d

PUPIL OF—
Augusta Rotolie, Boston.
Francis Fischer Powers, New York.
Receiving Day: Wednesday 9—10 a. m. to 12. 2 to 5 p m. 7 to 8 p. m.
Elizabeth Knieper-Bunn
Teacher of VOICE CULTURE
And the ART OF SINGING Italian Method.
STUDIO:
Room 414, Powers' Building.

Race Clothing Mfg. Co.

Stetson Hats.

Miller Hats.

SPRING STYLES

Now On Sale.

WE ARE THE AGENTS.

Race Clothing Mfg. Co.,

135 North Water Street.

COLD, DAMP WEATHER

Again Grips us by the Throat, but you can shake off that dreadful "Grip," Cough or Cold, if you will use

The Great 4-C Remedy.

WHAT IF NOT MIRACLES ?

The great Four-C Remedy is doing work wherever introduced as nearly miraculous as it ever falls to the lot of any human agency to do (I will esteem it a favor for any one interested to write the persons whose names appear below or any one whose names may appear among these testimonials.)

My aim is to convince the public of my sincerity and of the true merits of this remedy.

BENEFACTORS OF THE RACE.

Office of "KINGFISHER TIMES," Kingfisher, Okla., Dec. 12, '93.

GENTLEMEN—I believe it my duty to write you a line in regard to the beneficial effect of Phelps' "Four C Remedy," so far as I am personally concerned. A week ago last Thursday, I was taken with a severe attack of la grippe and in a short time became so hoarse I could not speak above a whisper. The night previous I coughed nearly the entire night; just before retiring I took a teaspoonful, and slept the entire night as sweetly as ever I did in my life, not coughing once. I was entirely relieved before taking one bottle. Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure should be in every household in the land. I send you this wholly unsolicited by any one, for you are benefactors of the race in giving it the antidote for some of the worst affections to which it is heir. Very truly yours,

C. J. NESBITT, Editor.

A MIRACLE.

Kansas City, Kansas, Dec. 21, '91.

Last Friday, Dec. 19, my attending physician stated that unless I was better by morning he could do nothing for my relief. That night I commenced taking Phelps' "Four-C" Remedy, stopped all other medicines. The first dose stopped my cough; slept and rested well; a few more doses removed all soreness from my lungs; the second day I was up; the third day I was out on the porch and today was up town purchasing holiday goods.

MISS JENNIE BASSETT,
Washington Avenue and Summit St.

CROUP CURED.

One dose of Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure, gave my child instant relief when attacked with the croup.

W. E. MOORE, of Moore Bros., Grocers, Arkansas City, Kansas.

UNBROKEN REST AT NIGHT.

J. B. HULING, Manager, Office Commercial Printing Co., 196 South Clark St. Chicago, Nov. 24, '94.

R. R. Phelps, Esq., City.

DEAR SIR:—I wish to bear testimony to the great efficacy of your "Four C" remedy in throat and lung ailments. As a rule I have been skeptical of the merits of proprietary medicines, but have to confess that a test of your "Four C" is convincing that at least one ready made remedy is worthy of use. My children all take it without the least objection, from oldest to youngest, and is particularly noticeable that benefit is almost immediate. A single dose will check most coughs in their beginning; it gives an unbroken rest at night. In my family "Four C" is simply indispensable and I recommend it unqualifiedly.

Yours, J. B. HULING.

ACUTE LARNYGITIS.

Chicago, Sept. 25, '95.

For years back each winter I have suffered with acute larnygitis. Last winter was so bad I could not leave my room for two weeks or could not speak above a whisper. I tried every known cough preparation from cough drops up and down with no relief, then in desperation I was induced to try Phelps' "Four C." The first dose relieved my cough, giving me the first night's rest for weeks. Half the bottle cured me. I have never been without this wonderful remedy since. It's as different from other like remedies as molasses from vinegar or sugar from sand. MRS. JOSEPH E. GRUBB, 5313 Madison Ave.

IT IS A MIRACLE.

Conductor Eckard, the Railroad Correspondent of the Neodasha Kansas Register, has this to say of "Four C." "Phelps is having a wonderful sale of his Cough and Cold Remedy. We personally know it is just what it is represented to be. Too much cannot be said in its praise It is a miracle."

NOTICE TO DRUGGISTS AND TO THE PUBLIC.

CONTRACT—Druggists are authorized in ALL CASES TO REFUND THE PURCHASE PRICE, if the Four C Remedy (Phelps' Cough, Cold and Croup Cure) fails to give satisfaction in Croup, Bronchitis, Asthma, LaGrippe, Coughs and Colds, no matter how long standing, or deep seated, in fact I guarantee in all manner of Bronchial or Lung trouble, not as a cure-all, but to give unbounded satisfaction. Give it a trial on the above conditions. I take all chances.

R. R. Phelps, 118 53d Street, Chicago, Ill., Prop.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., C. F. Shilling and W. H. Hubbard

A Long Felt Want

It is Supplied in Decatur at Last.

It is hard to always be pleasant.

Good natured people are often irritable.

If you knew the reason you would not be surprised. Ever have itching piles?

Not sick enough to go to bed and not well enough to be content.

Nothing will annoy you so.

The constant itching sensation.

Hard to bear, harder to get relief.

Keeps you awake nights.

Spoils your temper, nearly drives you crazy.

Isn't relief and cure a long felt want?

It's to be had for every one in Doan's Ointment.

Doan's Ointment never fails to cure Itching Piles,

Eczema or any itching of the skin.

Here is proof of it at the testimony of a citizen:

Mr. J. B. Barnwell of 475 West Decatur street, plasterer, says: "Doan's Ointment is an excellent remedy for itching hemorrhoids from which I suffered for fifteen years. I tried nearly every remedy that was recommended to me and those I saw advertised. While some did relieve me for a short time still the intolerable plague always came back. In May of 1897, I saw Doan's Kidney Pills highly recommended so I got a box at a drug store. The first application gave me relief and I continued the use of the remedy for about a week. To my surprise it not only relieved me but it actually cured me. I am wholly free from the affliction now for the first time in fifteen years. I have always been somewhat opposed to proprietary medicines and I have never given a testimonial to one before but I do so now on behalf of Doan's Ointment for I know that it does all that is claimed for it and is worthy of the highest recommendation."

Doan's Ointment for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name Doan's and take no other.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Henry C. Brees of Peoria has bought the furniture and undertaking business of Arthur Elkin at Eureka.

The Most Fatal Disease.

It is not generally known that more adults die of Kidney trouble than any other disease. When the first symptoms of this disease appear, no time should be lost in taking Foley's Kidney Cure which is guaranteed or money refunded. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

At Pesotum 78 wagon loads of grain had to stand over night, recently, waiting a chance to unload.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Atlanta has a club for the study of the financial question, with W. B. Stroud, Jr., president and J. S. Hively, secretary.

There is No ? About It.

No question indeed with those who have used it, but that Foley's Kidney Cure, is absolutely reliable for all Kidney and Bladder diseases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A. L. McKee has sold his stock farm near Roberts at $87.50 per acre and purchased a 240-acre farm near Paxton at $67.50 per acre.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could see me perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

By common agreement the cigar dealers of Champaign have discarded the use of slot wheels and similar devices for attracting custom.

The Illinois Central paymaster paid out $95,000 to $30,000 in Clinton Wednesday, a large part of which reaches the merchants of that city.

Henry Arends has bought the Michael Bristle corner block in Melvin for $1400.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

Ellen Osborn's ... ... Fashion Letter.

The Latest Overskirt, the Pretty Spring Hats and Other Seasonable Novelties.

(Copyright, 1898.)

New York, Feb. 11.—The dressmakers, buyers and heads of dry goods departments who sailed for Paris after Christmas are returning, and the designers who retired into their inner consciousness to evolve ideas are emerging; so that it will be possible shortly for women who like to get their work "done up early" to provide themselves with a spring outfit and be free from dress worries.

Whatever may have been true in the past, it is not true now that the women of best social position devote any undue proportion of their time to their wardrobes. There is a period in the late winter and another in the early autumn when dresses are planned and ordered with an eye to form and color and a nice sense of suitability to the person and to occasions that have become part of a cultivated woman's education. In the midseason there are, probably, gaps to fill or necessary replenishments; but aside from these, once an outfit has been prepared, the subject is dismissed from the mind.

"Why, bless you, child," said a woman whose rank in the social world could hardly be questioned, when asked by a young visitor to take her shopping, "that's something for which I can't find time!"

A little while ago, when times were hard in the south, a southern woman from a "busted boom" town was staying with a northern sister and was urged to have some dressmaking done. She refused, saying that not a woman in her set could afford good clothes and that she couldn't look her friends in the face unless she were resepectably shabby. A feeling not wholly unlike this limits the number of gowns bought by some women who do not have to consider money. A successful toilette calls for such perfection of fit, such delicacy of color, harmonies and contrasts, such thought in the selection of ornaments and such care in every detail that many women who are rigorously exacting as to what they buy are equally careful not to buy profusely.

Said a woman of this order recently: "Every dress costs so many hours that I dare not appear before my friends in too many, else they will feel that I am squandering all my time."

Women like to keep up with the world's progress. Even if they did not, if they had no hobbies in education, art or philanthropy, the exertions of society, life itself would leave them less time to spend upon dress than is consumed by many women of smaller means who save a little money at bargain counters and special sales at the cost of a great amount of nerve force and vitality.

Economy of life commends the society woman's plan of settling dress questions, so far as possible, twice a year. The custom of the best society approves the purchase at these buying periods of a moderate number of costumes, varying with the demands of one's position, as artistically beautiful as taste can make them. A profession of too costly and unsuitable clothes marks the snob as plainly as neglect of the dress marks the person of little sensitiveness or refinement.

In early buying this season there are things to avoid. The success of the broad, striped sashes in Roman colors, which light up dark dresses amazingly, has led to the bringing out of dress silks in stripes and plaids of monstrous dimensions. In large, high rooms some of these might do for wall hangings, but considered as costumes, even for giantesses, they are things to shudder at.

It is too late to order gowns with pouched bodices. The blouse effect will be seen for some time, but the incoming fashion, especially for evening dresses, is, after the manner of a stomacher, in contrast with the bodice and embroidered or jeweled, with brace-like trimming on either side.

Spring dresses will be made with overskirts; but these will be as long as the underskirts, perhaps lifted at some point to show the contrasting material. A graceful design that appears with many varieties among the early models has a princess overdress opening in front over an underdress and bodice of a different color. I have by me some fine old prints of French and Italian costumes in the sixteenth century, from any one of a number of which this idea might have been adopted. One of the infants of Spain in 1598 shows a satin petticoat hemmed with a broad jeweled band. The overskirt of richly figured brocade flows back from the front and just touches the ground. It is trimmed up and down the sides with gold thread embroidery.

The overskirt of 20 years ago copied the ugly panniers of their sixteenth century originals, but failed to copy the longer flow of the draperies; ending below the knees, they cut the figure sadly. The overdresses of 1898 will omit the panniers but revert to the stately length of the days when hurry and rush were unknown.

It is an interesting fact that in the days from which we take the overskirt the hair was dressed much as it is now, turning back from the face and standing out at the sides.

The underskirt of 1898 is three yards and a half round. The outer skirt is much wider. Sleeves will become even smaller than they are and ruffles will continue rampant. Dresses for all formal occasions are made long, but the instinct of self-preservation stands out for short street dresses.

Spring hats, as thus far displayed, are almost evenly divided between the ugly pork-pie shapes affected this winter and straight brims. Fanciful toques in coarse grass and ribbon straws are numerous. Some are extremely pretty; others look as if they had been crushed in the two hands and then tied up with ribbons and flowers. A satin crown, a willow brim and a mass of white violets is a favorite combination. Large black hats are trimmed with tulips. A wide hat in reseda straw has knots of orange velvet under the brim and is trimmed with orange and pale yellow jonquils.

NEW GOWNS FOR THE SPRING SEASON.

A dress which forms part of a February bride's trousseau is of powder blue cloth with a separate underskirt of red silk trimmed with narrow ruffles. The overskirt is brightened by red ribbons run about it at intervals and held by buttoned tops of blue. At one side are sash ends of the cloth—a newer fancy than ribbon sashes; these are edged by red silk ruches. The bodice is of powder blue silk with a front of white lace, upon which opens a surplice front of red silk drawn down straight on one side, draped across and edged with a silk ruche on the other. The hat for wear with this costume is of blue straw with black ostrich plumes.

A visiting dress recently finished and beautiful in color is of a delicate pearl-gray cloth with an underskirt of silk covered with green chiffon. The princess overdress opens down the front and is trimmed with an exquisite vine embroidery in gray, brown and old rose. The bodice has open fronts of gray cloth with gimp of chiffon over silk. There is a high cloth collar with square revers upon the shoulders. A four-in-hand tie of green velvet reaches to the waistband.

A dress worn by the hostess at a large reception was of black satin edged with jet. The skirt, which had a short train, was arranged in vandyke effects produced by narrow puffs of figured net made up over pink. Similar puffs ornamented the waist but were put on straight around.

Bicycle dresses, which on city streets are serviceable a good part of the winter, are made longer for spring wear than last season. The abuse of the short skirt with the brilliant plaid stockings has produced the inevitable reaction. Another reason, perhaps, lies in the fact that many women are using bicycle suits for rainy days walking costume; while others—busy women—wear them mornings in the house, so as not to miss a chance of air and exercise through the delay of changing clothes. The bicycle, doctors say, is cutting down the death rate.

ELLEN OSBORN.

A Perfect Infant Food

Gail Borden Eagle Brand Condensed Milk

A PERFECT SUBSTITUTE FOR MOTHERS MILK. FOR 40 YEARS THE LEADING BRAND

"INFANT HEALTH" SENT FREE.

N.Y. CONDENSED MILK CO. NEW YORK

POWERS' GRAND OPERA HOUSE

J. F. GIVEN, Manager.

FRIDAY, FEB. 18.

WM. CALDER'S CO.,

Presenting the Melo Dramatic Triumph of the Century,

THE SPAN OF LIFE.

Now in its Sixth Year of unprecidented popularity. Sterling artists including America's representative Acrobats—

THE DONAZETTI TRIO,

Forming the Human Bridge.

—PRICES—25c, 50c, and 75c.

Tickets on sale at the Opera House Drug Store Wednesday morning.

POWERS' GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

J. F. GIVEN, Manager.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

ONE NIGHT.

First Appearance in Decatur of

Francis Wilson

AND HIS COMIC OPERA COMPANY,

The Foremost American Organization in the Most Successful of Productions,

"Half a King."

NOTE—The public of Decatur are assured that Mr. Wilson will present his original company, scenery, costumes, property and light effects.

The only Comic Opera company here this season.

PRICES—25c, 50c, 75c $1.00 and $1.50

MOVED

BUT NOT FAR.

JOHNSON'S BAKERY

IS NOW AT

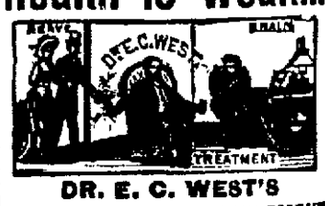
253

NORTH MAIN

OPPOSITE SYNDICATE BLOCK.

Everything in a first-class Bakery and all first-class.

Health is Wealth.



DR. E. C. WEST'S

NERVE AND BRAIN TREATMENT

THE ORIGINAL, ALL OTHERS IMITATIONS,

Is sold under positive **Written Guarantee**, by authorized agents only, to cure Weak Memory, Dizziness, Wakefulness, Fits, Hysteria, Quickness, Night Losses, Evil Dreams, Lack of Confidence, Nervousness, Lassitude, all Drains, Youthful Errors, or Excessive Use of Tobacco, Opium, or Liquor, which leads to Misery, Consumption, Insanity and Death. At store or by mail, $1 a box; six for $5; with **written guarantee to cure or refund money.** Sample package, containing five days' treatment, with full instructions, 25 cents. One sample only sold to each person. At store or by mail.

Red Label Special Extra Strength.

For Impotency, Loss of Power, Lost Manhood, Sterility or Barrenness. $1 a box; six for $5, with **written guarantee** to cure in 30 days. At store or by mail.

H. W. Bell, the druggist, sole agt., cor. N. Main and North Sts., Decatur, Ills.

PATENTS

Caveats, and Trade-Marks obtained and all Patent business conducted for MODERATE FEES. OUR OFFICE IS OPPOSITE U.S. PATENT OFFICE and we can secure patent in less time than those remote from Washington.

Send model, drawing or photo., with description. We advise, if patentable or not, free of charge. Our fee not due till patent is secured. A PAMPHLET, "How to Obtain Patents," with cost of same in the U.S. and foreign countries sent free. Address,

C.A.SNOW & CO.

OPP. PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Go

We have decided to discontin
Granite and Tinware as fast
erything will go at a price tha
invite you to come and take
call special attention to our e

After Dinner	
Lot 1. 8c—Former price 10c to 15c.	5c
Lot 2. 15c—Former price 20c to 35c.	6c
Lot 3. 20c—Former price 25c to 40c.	7c
Lot 4. 35c—Former price 50c to 75c.	$1

People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale, For Rent, Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

AGENT WANTED—Call at Park Hotel; lady or gent. 16 d&f

GIRL WANTED—For general housework at 235 West Main street. Call Tuesday morning.

WANTED—You to give us your orders for carpets to clean and feathers to renovate. Work called for and delivered free. Satisfaction guaranteed. Place of business, 630 Wabash ave., telephone 667. HAYES & ANTHONY. oct 13-d&f.

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-d&f

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—One eight-foot Metal Show Case, in perfect condition. WEST'S DRUG STORE, Lincoln Square. 15-d&

FOR SALE—A large Tuft's Soda Fountain and all fixtures, complete in every respect for a first class soda trade. Will be sold at a very low price Cash only. WEST'S DRUG STORE, Lincoln Square. 15-d&

FOR SALE.—A No. 1, superfine Kimball organ for sale very cheap. Call at 965 East Cantrell street. C. B. ADKESSON. 20-d&f

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets. East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1760 North Clinton street; new 'phone 185.—27-d&f

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—A comfortable dwelling; and good stable, outbuildings, well and cistern, and a garden place, 2½ miles east of Decatur. Twenty two acres of ground; has been used for garden purposes 15 years. Apply to J. R. RACE, Decatur. Feb 12 d&

MONEY TO LOAN.

LOANS...

Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, 137 North Water street. LOW RATES.

May 20-d&f GEO. W. EHRHART.

SAMUEL M'BRIDE
LOANS AND SECURITIES,
ROOMS 702-3-4,
MILLIKIN BANK B'LDG,
DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by PEGRAM & CO., Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank. Open Evenings Until 8 p. m.

ALBERT T. SUMMERS,
—LOAN BROKER,—
All Classes of Loans Negotiated.
145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TELEPHONE Old No. 300, New No. 300 for Potted Blooming Plants. Also Cut Flowers, in Roses, Carnations, Hyacinths, Violets, Lilies, Etc. N. BOMMERSBACH. Dec 7-d&f

HORSE-SHOEING.—The undersigned has opened a horse-shoeing and light iron-setting shop at 124 West Prairie Avenue, where all work will be guaranteed to be second to none in the city, at prices as low as good work can be done. T. L. WEAKLY, Prop't. Feb. 14-d1m*

CURRY & POOLE, MILK DEPOT, Milk, Cream, Butter and Dressed Poultry, Wholesale and Retail, 451 North Water street, Decatur, Ill. Jan 24 d&f

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS. CAVEATS, on quickest and easiest terms. Am associate counsel for Louis Bagger & Co., 30 years' experience as Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C. All legal business promptly and carefully attended to. Loans. A. E. PARK, 132 E. Prairie street. NEW PHONE 672. Sept 7-d&f

If you need a set of De Vinne Price Markers or Rubber Cushion stamp, plain or ornamental, supplies or anything in the Commercial stamp line, order of J. M. Myers, proprietor of the Decatur Rubber Stamp Works, 301 S. Church street, Citizens' Phone, 117, Decatur, Ill. mar 1-d&f

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-d&f

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 726 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. Nov 30 d&f

...etter.

...pring Hats ...ies.

...dress opening in ...dress and bodice of ...have by me some French and Italian ...enth century, from ...r of which this idea ...lopted. One of the ...15es shows a satin ...ith a broad jeweled ...rt of richly figured ...from the front and ...ured. It is trimmed ...es with gold thread

...20 years ago copied ...of their sixteenth ...but failed to copy ...the draperies; end... they cut the figure ...esses of 1898 will ...but revert to the ...days when hurry ...own.

...ng fact that in the ...take the overskirt ...much as it is now, ...e face and stand...

...1898 is three yards ...The outer skirt is ...s will become even ...are and ruffles will ...Dresses for all for... ...made long, but the ...ervation stands out ...sses.

...his far displayed, ...ivided between the

...s affected this win... ...Fanciful toques ...ribbon straws are ...extremely pretty; ...had been crushed ...then tied up with ...A satin crown, a ...moss of white vio... ...ornamentation. Large ...med with tulips. A ...straw has knots of ...the brim and is ...ge and pale yellow

...rms part of a Feb... ...son is of powder ...parate under-skirt ...with narrow ruffles. ...ghtened by red rib... ...at intervals and ...ps of blue. At one ...the cloth—a newer ...sashes; these are ...ches. The bodice is ...k with a front of ...which opens a sur... ...silk drawn down ...draped across and ...niche on the other. ...ith this costume is ...th black ostrich

...recently finished and ...of a delicate pearl... ...underskirt of silk ...chiffon. The prin... ...s down the front ...h an exquisite vine ...brown and old rose. ...ner fronts of gray ...chiffon over silk. ...collar with square ...ders. A four-in... ...chet reaches to the

...the hostess at a ...s of black satin ...skirt, which had a ...rged in vandyke ...narrow puffs of ...over pink. Similar ...the waist but were ...ed.

...ach on city streets ...d part of the win... ...er for spring wear ...The abuse of the ...the brilliant plaid ...uced the inevitable ...reason, perhaps, lies ...y women are using ...rainy days walking ...ers—busy women— ...gs in the house, so ...ance of air and ex... ...delay of changing ...le, doctors say, is ...ath rate.

ELLEN OSBORN.

A Perfect Infant Food

Gail Borden Eagle Brand Condensed Milk

A PERFECT SUBSTITUTE FOR MOTHERS MILK. FOR 40 YEARS THE LEADING BRAND.

"INFANT HEALTH" SENT FREE.

N.Y. CONDENSED MILK CO. NEW YORK.

POWERS' GRAND OPERA HOUSE

J. F. GIVEN, Manager.

FRIDAY, FEB. 18.

..WM. CALDER'S CO..

Presenting the Melo Dramatic Triumph of the Century.

THE SPAN OF LIFE.

Now in its Sixth Year of unprecidented popularity. Sterling artists including America's representative Acrobats—

THE DONAZETTI TRIO,

Forming the Human Bridge.

—PRICES—25c, 50c, and 75c.

Tickets on sale at the Opera House Drug Store Wednesday morning.

POWERS' GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

J. F. GIVEN, Manager.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

ONE NIGHT.

First Appearance in Decatur of

Francis Wilson

AND HIS COMIC OPERA COMPANY,

The Foremost American Organization in the Most Successful of Productions,

"Half a King."

NOTE—The public of Decatur are assured that Mr. Wilson will present his original company, scenery, costumes, property and light effects.

The only Comic Opera company here this season.

PRICES—25c, 50c, 75c $1.00 and $1.50

MOVED

BUT NOT FAR.

JOHNSON'S BAKERY

IS NOW AT

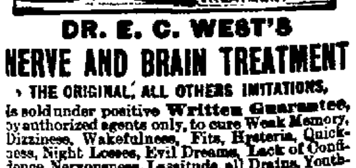
253

—NORTH MAIN—

OPPOSITE SYNDICATE BLOCK.

Everything in a first-class Bakery and all first-class.

Health is Wealth.

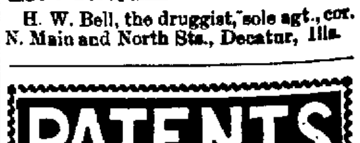


DR. E. C. WEST'S NERVE AND BRAIN TREATMENT

THE ORIGINAL, ALL OTHERS IMITATIONS, is sold under positive **Written Guarantee,** by authorized agents only, to cure Weak Memory, Dizziness, Wakefulness, Fits, Hysteria, Quickness, Night Losses, Evil Dreams, Lack of Confidence, Nervousness, Lassitude, all Drains, Youthful Errors, or Excessive Use of Tobacco, Opium, or Liquor, which leads to Misery, Consumption, Insanity and Death. At store or by mail, $1 a box; six for $5; with **written guarantee to cure or refund money. Sample package,** containing five days' treatment, with full instructions, 25 cents. One sample only sold to each person. At store or by mail.

Red Label Special Extra Strength.

For Impotency, Loss of Power, Lost Manhood, Sterility or Barrenness. $1 a box; six for $5, with **written guarantee** to cure in 30 days. At store or by mail.



H. W. Bell, the druggist, sole agt., cor. N. Main and North Sts., Decatur, Ills.

PATENTS

Caveats, and Trade-Marks obtained and all Patent business conducted for MODERATE FEES. OUR OFFICE IS OPPOSITE U.S. PATENT OFFICE and we can secure patent in less time than those remote from Washington.

Send model, drawing or photo., with description. We advise, if patentable or not, free of charge. Our fee not due till patent is secured. A PAMPHLET, "How to Obtain Patents," with cost of same in the U.S. and foreign countries sent free. Address,

C.A.SNOW & CO.

OPP. PATENT OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Going Out of Business!

We have decided to discontinue the China business is Decatur and will proceed to close out our entire stock of China, Crockery, Glassware, Lamps, Granite and Tinware as fast as possible. This will be a genuine closing out sale to quit the business. It is no "fake" or excuse to reduce stock as everything will go at a price that will insure quick sales. Merchants in and out of the city will be given special prices on lines if closed out in bulk. We invite you to come and take the goods at less than factory prices. The stock is up to date and everything will be sold without reserve. We desire to call speeial attention to our extensive line of Cups and Saucers. We have arranged them in lots at the following prices:

After Dinner Coffees.		Fancy Cups and Saucers.		German and Carlsbad Cups and Saucers.	
Lot 1. 8c—Former price 10c to 15c.	Lot 5. 50c—Former price 65c to $1.25.	Lot 9. 15c—Former price 25c.	Lot 13. $1.00—Former price $1.25 to 2.25	Lot 16. 9c—Former price 10c to 20c.	Lot 20. 35c—Former price 50c to 75c.
Lot 2. 15c—Former price 20c to 35c.	Lot 6. 60c—Former price 75c to $1.50.	Lot 10. 35c—Former price 50c to 60c.	Lot 14. Assorted Mustache Cups and Saucers at 75c to $1.25. former price $1.00 to $1.75.	Lot 17. 15c—Former price 25c to 40c.	Lot 21. 45c—Former price 65c to $1.00.
Lot 3. 20c—Former price 25c to 40c.	Lot 7. 70c—Former price 90c to $1.75.	Lot 11. 5cc—Former price 75c to $1.25.	Lot 15. Assorted Boullion Cups and Saucers at 75c to $1.25, former price $1.25 to $2.75.	Lot 18. 20c—Former price 30c to 45c.	In addition to these lots we have a great variety of Mustache Cups ranging in price from 15c to 60c.
Lot 4. 35c—Former price 50c to 75c.	Lot 8. $1.00—Former price $1.25 to $2	Lot 12. 75c—Former price $1 to $1.75.		Lot 19. 25c—Former price 40c to 55c.	

E. D. Bartholomew Co.

People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

AGENT WANTED—Call at Park Hotel; lady or gent. 16-d4t

GIRL WANTED—For general housework at 235 West Main street. Call Tuesday morning.

WANTED—You to give us your orders for carpets to clean and feathers to renovate. Work called for and delivered free. Satisfaction guaranteed. Place of business, 630 Wabash ave., telephone 667. HAYES & ANTHONY. oct 15-dtf.

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—One eight-foot Metal Show Case, in perfect condition. WEST'S DRUG STORE, Lincoln Square. 15-d6

FOR SALE—A large Tuft's Soda Fountain and all fixtures, complete in every respect for a first class soda trade. Will be sold at a very low price Cash only. WEST'S DRUG STORE, Lincoln Square. 15-d6

FOR SALE.—A No. 1, superfine Kimball organ for sale very cheap. Call at 965 East Cantrell street. C. B. ADKESSON. 20-dtf

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets. East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1760 North Clinton street; new 'phone 185.—27-tf

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—A comfortable dwelling; and good stable, outbuildings, well and cistern, and a garden place, 2½ miles east of Decatur. Twenty two acres of ground; has been used for garden purposes 15 years. Apply to J. R. RACE, Decatur. Feb 12 d6*

MONEY TO LOAN.

LOANS...

Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, 137 North Water street.

LOW RATES.

May 20-dtf GEO. W. EHRHART.

SAMUEL M'BRIDE
LOANS AND SECURITIES,
ROOMS 702-3-4,
MILLIKIN BANK B'L'DG,
DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by **PEGRAM & CO.,**

Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.

Open Evenings Until 8 p. m.

ALBERT T. SUMMERS,

—LOAN BROKER,—

All Classes of Loans Negotiated.

145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TELEPHONE Old No. 200, New No. 330, for Potted Blooming Plants. Also Cut Flowers, in Roses, Carnations, Hyacinths, Violets, Lilies, Etc. N. BOMMERSBACH. Dec 7-dtf

HORSE-SHOEING.—The undersigned has opened a horse-shoeing and light tire-setting shop at 124 West Prairie Avenue, where all work will be guaranteed to be second to none in the city, at prices as low as good work can be done. T. L. WEAKLY, Prop'r. Feb. 14-d1m*

CURRY & POOLE; MILK DEPOT, Milk, Cream, Butter and Dressed Poultry, Wholesale and Retail, 451 North Water street, Decatur, Ill. Jan 24 dtf

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS, CAVEATS, on quickest and easiest terms. Am associate counsel for Louis Bagger & Co., 30 years' experience as Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C. All legal business promptly and carefully attended to. Loans. A. E. PARK, 152 E. Prairie street. NEW PHONE 672. Sept 7-dtf

IF you need a set of De Vinne Price Markers or Rubber Cushion stamp, plain or ornamental, supplies or anything in the Commercial Stamp line, order of J. M. Myers, proprietor of the Decatur Rubber Stamp Works, 301 S. Church street, Citizens' Phone, 117, Decatur, Ill. mar 1-dtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 720 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov18 dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. PETER H. BRUECK, agent White Star Line and Hamburg-American Line, 215 N. Main. feb 1rdtf

LESSONS IN ART EMBROIDERY.—Battenburg and Honiton Finished Pieces, Sofa Pillows, Table Covers, Stamped Linens, in the latest designs. All kinds of materials furnished. I will be at Mrs. Taylor's Millinery Store on Water street for a few days only, MRS. JOHNSON. 17-d6

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan8-dtf

RHEUMATISM CURE—Decatur, Ill., Nov. 29th. Wanted, everybody to read this article. For four or five years I took medicine for my kidneys and could get no relief. After trying several other kinds of medicines for rheumatism I tried your Gerrodanie Capsules and they not only cured my rheumatism but my back as well. I can and do heartily recommend them to any one with rheumatism and neuralgia. Yours truly, TOM PENIWELL, ticket agent I. C. R. R.

FOUND AT LAST—A place where a pure old-fashioned sour mash copper distilled whisky can be bought direct from the manufacturer exactly like it was made fifty years ago, of V. D. Ross, manufacturer of the old Dantown Whiskey, made in Macon county, Ill. For medical purposes it has no equal. I will sell direct to consumers, from one gallon up at $2.50 per gallon, and will give dealers prices very reasonable. My motto has ever been "Quality and not quantity." All I ask is an examination of my goods. I sell no other except straight Dantown; on West Main street, a few steps west of the transfer house. No. 139, Decatur, Ill. Feb 10-d4w

VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE—The undersigned as assignee of Michael Eichinger, insolvent, offers for sale the following valuable property:

1. 147 lots in Eichinger Heights, an addition on the east of this city.
2. Several acres in amounts to suit on the Wabash railroad near the Cereal Mills.
3. Lots 8 and 9, block 10 East Park Boulevards, with good houses thereon.
4. Lot 9, block 7, East Park Boulevards, good 4 room cottage.
5. Lots 1 and 2, block 3, Starr & Mills' first addition, the Chenoweth place, ten rooms, good barn.
6. Lot southeast corner Eldorado and Church streets, seven rooms.
7. Lot 48 feet front, 237 West Eldorado, eight rooms.
8. Lot 14, Warren & Co's 7th addition, North Edward street, in the orchard, vacant.
9. 880 acres of land in Holt county, Nebraska, unimproved

Sealed bids will be received up to Friday noon, February 25th inst., for the purchase of any portion or all of this property. Terms cash. Blank forms for bids furnished on application. For further information inquire of S. S. Jack, assignee of Michael Eichinger. 9-d2w

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

B. I. STERRETT
ATTORNEY AT LAW.
OFFICE—Over Bryan's Clothing Store Decatur

DR. HOWARD M. WOOD
HOMEOPATHIST,
222 North Main, over Maienthal's.
Office hours 8 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m
Telephones { Office, 272 / Res., 216. | Residence 1446 N. Edward St

HARRY K. MIDKIFF,
Constable and Collector,
147 South Water St.
Telephone—Old 329, New 78, Residence, Old 30
COLLECTIONS A SPECIALTY.

GEO. P. HARDY,
Justice of the Peace,
147 South Water Street.
Apr 28-dtf

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.
CHAS. LAUX, Proprietor.
South Side Lincoln Square, Decatur, Ill

HERMAN SPIES.
Book Binder.
Practical Book Binding and Blank Book Manufacturing. 137 South Water street, Decatur, Ill. Magazines bound, names stamped in gold on books

Executor's Notice.

Estate of Samuel Heft, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Samuel Heft, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1898.
WM. W. HEFT, Executor.

Feb 8-d3w

Legal Advs.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss In the Circuit Court.

Frances G. Winslow, executrix, etc., Complainant, vs. Frank L. Hays, et. al., defendants.—In Chancery No. 16598.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, the 1st day of March, A. D., 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

The east half of lot Nine (9) and Thirty (30) feet in width off of the west side of lot Eight (8), all in block One (1) of Berry H. Cassell's Fifth addition to the city of Decatur, situated in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 7th day of February, A. D., 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF MACON. } ss. In the Circuit Court.

H. Mueller, Complainant, vs. Clara E. Wood, et. al., Defendant.—In Chancery No. 16441.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

The south half of lot Twelve (12) in the resurvey of lots Two (2,) Three (3) and Four (4) of block Three (3) of Prather & Adamson's addition of outlots to the City of Decatur, situated in Macon County, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 7th day of February, A. D. 1898.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
C. E. Schroll, Complainant's Solicitor.
Feb 7-d td

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss In the Circuit Court.

John Fuller, Conservator, etc., Complainant, vs. Randolph J. Simpson et. al., Defendants —In Chancery, No. 16 499.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1898, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Friday, the 4th day of March, A. D. 1898,

at the hour of 2 o clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

Lots twenty-two (22), twenty-three (23), twenty-four (24) and twenty five (25) in block one (1) of H. A. Wood's Second Addition to the city of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 10th day of February, A. D. 1898

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery,
Alexander McIntosh Complainant's Solicitor.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Estate of John W. Young, Debtor.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that John W. Young, of the city of Decatur, county of Macon and state of Illinois, did, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1898, transfer to one John A. Dawson, as assignee, all his personal property (the said John W. Young not being possessed of any real estate) for the benefit of his creditors except such as is allowed him under the exemption laws of the State of Illinois, according to the provisions of an act concerning voluntary assignments; that the said John A. Dawson, on the 8th day of Januarp, A. D 1898, resigned as such assignee, and the undersigned was, by order of the county court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, appointed assignee in the place of John A. Dawson, on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1898.

All persons having claims against the said John W. Young are hereby notified to present such claims, under oath or affirmation, to the undersigned at the City of Decatur, in said county, within three months from the date hereof.

Dated this 11th day of January, A. D. 1898.
GEORGE K. MORGAN, Assignee.
Jan 11-d6w

Through Buffet Sleeping Car to Mackinaw, Mich.

Commencing June 21st, the Vandalia Line will resume through Pullman Buffet Sleeping Car Service between St. Louis and Mackinaw. Sleepers will run via Terre Haute, St. Joseph Grand Rapids and Petoskey-Bay View. This will be the only line of through cars from St Louis to the delightful and cool resorts of Michigan. South-bound the last sleeping car for the season will leave Mackinaw Sunday night, September 26, 1897. For detailed information address nearest Vandalia Line Agent, or E. A Ford, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Estate of Susan H. Abel, Debtor.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that Susan H. Abel, doing business under the name of Abel Carpet Wall-Paper Co., of the City of Decatur, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, did, on the 12th day of January, 1898, transfer to the undersigned as assignee all her property, real and personal, for the benefit of her creditors, according to the provisions of the act concerning assignments.

All persons having claims against the said Susan H. Abel are hereby notified to present such claims under oath or affirmation to me at the City of Decatur, in said county, within three months from this date.

Dated this 21st day of January, A. D. 1898.
Jan. 21-d6w J. W. RACE, Assignee.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Charles L. Griswold, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles L Griswold, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 29th day of January, 189-.
CHARLES L. GRISWOLD, JR., Administrator.
29 d3w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Henry F. May, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Henry F. May, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 17th day of January, 1898.
ANDREW H. MILLS, Administrator,
jan 17-d3w

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the county court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of Charles S. Hankins and against John S. Danley George M. Danley, I have levied upon the following decribed property, to-wit: The undivided interest of John S. Darnley in lots Four (4) and Five (5), Block One (1), Della Abbott's addition to the Village of Niantic, in Macon County, State of Illinois, taken as property of the said John S. Danley, which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 9th day of February, A. D., 1898.
J. P. NICHOLSON, Sheriff Macon Co., Ill,
f10-dtd

CONSERVATOR'S SALE.

I will for the next ten days, from Feb. 5 to Feb. 15 inclusive, have for sale all the personal property of John A. Shafer, which includes a cow, store, and household furnishings, 150 shocks of corn on farm. Personal property can be seen at 1290 West Macon street, I have also a 40 acre farm 3½ miles northwest of Boody to rent. N. M. JACOBS, Conservator.
5-d10t-w1t

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Decatur Plumbing and Heating company will be held at their office on Tuesday, March 1st, 1898, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of officers and the transaction of such business as may come before said meeting.
O. W. DAWSON, Secretary.
16-dtd

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

Excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following points:

Home seekers excursions to principal points in the south, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus $2 for round trip.

One way settlers' tickets sold to the South on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

Winter tourist tickets to the principal resorts in the south now on sale.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rate, maps and descriptive advertising matter write or apply to K. Harwood General Agent, or C. A. Pollock, Ticket Agent I. D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

EXECUTRIX NOTICE.

Estate of Joseph K. Love, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the estate of Joseph K. Love, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April, 1898, next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1898.
ELIZA J. LOVE, Executrix.
Feb 16-d3w

THE

PROCLAMATION

—OF—

KING REX

having been issued, it now remains for his loyal subjects throughout the land to proceed to the Festive City,

NEW ORLEANS,

and pay tribute to His Majesty, by participating in the festivities of

MARDI GRAS

which for the present year will be held on

FEBRUARY 22.

For this occasion the

Illinois Central R. R.

Company will sell tickets to New Orleans from stations on its line at VERY LOW RATES. Tickets on sale February 14th to 20th inclusive, with final return limit to March 19th, 1898.

CALIFORNIA
—VIA—
NEW ORLEANS.

Pullman Tourist Sleeping Car every Monday from Chicago through to Los Angeles and San Francisco, via New Orleans, in connection with the Southern Pacific Co., leaving Chicago on its fast "New Orleans Limited" train at 6:00 p. m. The Limited also connects at New Orleans daily with express train for the Pacific Coast, and on Tuesdays and Saturdays

Sunset Limited Annex

of the Southern Pacific, giving special through service to San Francisco. All Round Trip Tourist tickets to California reading via Illinois Central R. R. permit of stop over at New Orleans.

FLORIDA.

Daily through Sleeping Car to Jacksonville from St Louis, and sleeping car service from Chicago via the Illinois Central and connecting lines, by way of Holly Springs, Birmingham, Albany and Waycross. No change of Sleeping Car from Chicago except from one car to another, on same train, at a reasonable hour in the morning.

Homeseecker's Excursions

to certain points in the South on the lines of the Illinois Central and Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroads will be run on the first and third Tuesday of each month during February, March and April, in connection with which a

Through Tourist Sleeping Car

will be run to New Orleans and the South on these dates.

Tickets and full information concerning the above can be had of agents of the "Central" and connecting lines.

A. H. HANSON, Gen'l Pass. Agent, Chicago.
d&w to Feb 22

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division Sundays at very low rates—good going and and returning Sunday only.

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Homeseekers' Excursions to principal points in the South, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month; good returning every Tuesday or Friday for 21 days. One fare, plus $2.00, for the round trip.

One way Settlers' tickets to the South sold on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

California tourists tickets, good returning nine months, with liberal stop over privileges in each direction, on sale daily.

Winter tourists tickets to the principal resorts in the south now on sale.

Call at the City Ticket Office for literature of the routes, rates, etc., of the Klondike Gold Fields.

Tour of Old Mexico and return. Leaving Decatur Thursday, Feb. 17th. Personally conducted. $240.00 includes all expenses. For itinerary call at city ticket office.

Cleveland, Ohio, acct. Students Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, $12.45 round trip. Sell Feb. 22nd and 23rd; good returning till Feb 28th.

Champaign acct. Illinois Farmers Institute, $1.85 round trip. Tickets sold Feb. 22nd and 23rd, good returning till Feb. 25th.

New Orleans and Mobile account Mardi Gras. One fare round trip. Sell Feb. 15th to 26th. Good returning for 15 days.

Chattanooga account National Educational Association Department of Superintendence. One fare round trip. Sell Feb. 20 and 21. Good returning till Feb. 28th.

Topeka, Kan., account National Buttermakers Association. One fare round trip. Sell Feb. 19th to 24th inclusive. Good returning till Feb. 28th.

Account Spring meetings of Merchants' Associations, at one and one third fare, on certificate plan: St. Louis, sell Feb. 20 to 27; March 6 to 13; April 3 to 16. Chicago, sell Feb. 23 to March 7; March 30 to April 6. Milwaukee, sell Feb. 28 to March 2.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills.

Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

(Corrected to Nov. 15, 1897.)

Wabash Line

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:05 a m	13	* 3:05 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3:55 p m
16	† 9:20 a m	17	† 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		FROM ST. LOUIS.	
3	* 4:05 a m	6	* 5:25 a m
11	* 7:00 a m	24	†11:25 a m
25	† 4:05 p m	14	*11:42 a m
15	* 4:00 p m	10	* 8:58 p m
1	*12:13 a m	2	*11:17 p m
7	* 7:20 p m	12	*12:55 a m
TO TOLEDO.		FROM TOLEDO.	
6	* 5:28 a m	1	*12:10 a m
4	*11:30 a m	7	* 7:17 p m
2	*11:30 p m	5	* 3:50 p m
10 FtW.ac.	†1:30 p m	3	* 3:20 a m
34 Eff. Acc.	†4:40 p m	11 From Ft W	†12:50 p m
		35 Eff. Accom	†10:45 a m
TO QUINCY.		FROM QUINCY.	
5	* 4:07 p m	4	*11:25 a m
13	* 4:10 a m	12	*10:50 p m
17 Spfd only	† 7:40 p m	16 from Spfg.	† 9:15 a m
35	†10:55 a m	34 Effg. acm	† 4:35 p m
11 Bluff acm	† 7:05 a m	10 frm Bluffs	† 6:50 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1......10:35 a. m.	A No. 2........2:50 p. m
D No. 3......10:10 p. m.	A No. 4........6:25 a. m.
A No. 11......2:30 p. m.	S No. 36........7:10 a. m
Depart for Peoria	**Depart for Evansville**
A No. 2........2:00p. m.	A No. 1........10:45 a. m.
A No. 4........6:35 a. m.	D No. 3........10:20 p. m.
S No. 36........7:20 a. m.	A No 11........3:15 p. m.
A No. 10......10:35a. m.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	

Vandalia Line.

In effect Dec. 11, 1897.

DEPARTS EAST.

No. 84—Freight, ex. Sunday.......... 6:35 a m
No 12—Except Sunday.......... 7:40 a m
No. 6—Except Sunday.......... 3:35 p

FROM TERRE HAUTE.

No. 7—Except Sunday..........10:45 a m
No. 83—Freight, ex. Sunday.......... 5:00 p m
No. 21—Except Sunday.......... 7:05 p m

DEPARTS WEST.

No. 5—Ex. Sunday..........7:00 a m
No. 85—Freight. ex. Sunday..........7:50 a m
No. 7—Ex. Sunday..........10:55 a m

FROM PEORIA.

No. 6—Ex. Sunday..........8:26 p m
No. 86—Freight ex. Sunday..........4:10 p m
No. 4—Ex. Sunday..........9:30 p m

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass....*2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass...*10:55 p m
No. 3 Pass....*4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass...†11:30 a m
" 7 ....10:00 a m	" 8 .... 2:40 a m
" 9 ....*8:00 p m	" 10 .... 4:00 p m

*Daily. †Except Sunday.

Illinois Central.

Corrected to November 28th, 1897.

No. 118 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman..........* 1:32 a. m.
No. 120 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman..........* 11:52 a. m.
No. 704 to Chicago via Champaign..* 6:10 a. m
No. 104 Main Line North..........* 11:26 a. m.
No. 120 Main Line North..........* 6:10 p. m.
No. 702 Champaign Line Mixed leaves..........† 2:45 p. m.
No. 117 Diamond Special to St. Louis via Pana..........* 3:19 a. m.
No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana..........* 8:37 p. m.
No. 125 Main Line South to Pana....† 9:30 a. m.
No. 103 Main Line South to Cairo....* 4:03 p. m.
No. 191 Local Freight South..........† 7:45 a. m.
No. 703 from Chicago via Champaign, arrives..........* 9:55 p. m.
No. 701 from Champaign Mixed Train arrives..........† 10:30 a. m.

*—Daily. †—Daily Except Sunday.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Nancy J. Fisher, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Nancy J. Fisher, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1898.
JESSE FISHER, Executor.
Feb 17-d3w

ILLINOIS CENTRAL EXCURSIONS.

One way settlers' rates to points south and southeast. Tickets on sale the 1st and 3d Tuesdays of each month.

Winter tourist rates to points south are now on. Final limit of June 1st, 1898.

For information or tickets write or call on W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Peniwell, 121 E. William street, Decatur, Ill.

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor.
jan 24-d&wtf

NewspaperARCHIVE.com

SOLID FACTS—

We do not profess to sell everything on earth cheaper than anybody else, but when the question is legitimate merchandise in our line, we flatter ourselves to be right on top of the heap.

Our low prices admit of no discount, and the qualities we give are the best premiums you could ask for.

These are Undisputed Facts

and there is no lever so powerful as plain and simple facts. This is the reason that we are making and presenting them to the people every day.

We Warrant Our Prices to be Right—

That is, we absolutely guarantee them at least as low if not lower—equal all around excellence considered—than can be found anywhere. Our store must stand first in the estimation of the purchasing public.

...Otto E. Curtis & Bro...

Jewelers and Dealers in Fine China.

Our House Has Been Established Over 20 Years at

156 East Main Street, Decatur, Ill.

NEW SPRING STYLES.—

We have them in Ladies' Vesting Faced Shoes, the NEWEST THING OUT. What we have are seasonable fashions, such as are worn by people of good taste, and at popular prices, too.

F. H. COLE SHOE CO.

148 EAST MAIN STREET. Sign of the Brass Foot Tracks in Sidewalk

DO YOU NEED ANY?

See Prices.

1 case Summer Corsets . . 25c
1 " DRAB Summer 49c
1 " White " 50c
1 " Short " . . . $1.00

THERE'S a difference between CORSETS made exactly right and CORSETS made just to sell. Wear will soon betray this secret. ANTHONY sells all the popular makes and makes popular prices.

SEE—Thompson's Glove Fitting, Dr. Warner's, P. D., R. & G., American Lady, Etc., Etc.

H. C. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.

INCENSE

STICKS

—AND—

CONES.

—AT—

...Armstrong Bros...

INCENSE

LOCAL NEWS.

Davis' 15c delivery. Cab, 25c.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Smoke the Queen, manufactured by Reddick & Kuesink.—15-dtf

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

Rev. J. Barnard will lead the men's meeting Sunday afternoon at the Y. M. C A. rooms.

The Decatur Sunday school institute will begin at the First M. E. church on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Sessions Saturday afternoon and evening, and Sunday afternoon.

Only $15.30 to New Orleans and return via I. C. R. R., on February 19 and 20. Tickets good returning six days.—16-dt

A business meeting of all the bricklayers of Decatur will be held at Cigarmakers' hall on Thursday evening next.

The grocers' profit is no concern of yours. If you want the Electric Lustre Starch in Blue Packages insist on getting it. It is the easiest and quickest polishing starch made.—18-d1mo.

Last night the rank of page was conferred upon Adam Keck at the regular meeting of Coeur de Leon Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

L. W. Fribourg, now in Arkansas, will be called home at once to attend the organization meeting of the Illinois Labor Commissioners, called to be held at Springfield on February 26.

Davis—Cabs 25c, Trunks 15c.

At 223 North Main street the largest stock of fresh bulk Garden Seed; also the greatest assortment of Flower Seeds ever brought to Decatur. Sweet Peas and Nasturtiums in bulk. Durfee & Culp. feb 9-dtf

Colonel Mathias, manager of the Edinburg coal mining company, is now selling coal at the regulation rates at Springfield. The colonel was brought to time by the threat of the miners who gave notice that they would quit work unless coal was sold at eight cents a bushel. The colonel had cut the price to seven cents.

Low rate to New Orleans on February 19 and 20. The Illinois Central railroad will sell tickets to New Orleans and return at the extremely low rate of $15.30, tickets good six days from date of sale; also tickets good 10 days for $17.80 round trip. Tickets will be on sale at city office, 121 East William street or at Union depot. —16-4t

A Card.

I beg to inform my many customers whom I have not that opportunity of calling on, that I will return to Chicago today and will return to your city again Monday, remaining a few days and will then call on those to whom I sent my announcements with samples enclosed, of shirts and ladies' shirt waists to order. Our line has many exclusive styles. Will not take order from two different parties of same pattern. In this way styles are exclusive. Material by the yard, giving you the benefit of our styles, if desired. Appreciating the many orders received while here since Monday last, Very respectfully, Wm. Lukey of Lukey & Gilbert, Shirt Makers, Makers of Ladies' Shirt Waists, Dexter Building, Chicago.

Poet and Didn't Know It.

This forenoon a Decatur citizen in discussing the Havana harbor horror remarked:

"The wreck of the Maine
Has lost Cuba to Spain."

The audience thought the situation was so aptly put in the couplet that it was written down for publication.

Euchre Club Entertained.

Mrs. Frank D. Caldwell of West Prairie avenue entertained the Euchre club this afternoon. Luncheon was served and prizes awarded to the winners in the games.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Purcell, of Koltnersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases, such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores, are readily cured by this famous remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Magnum Opus Club.

The Magnum Opus club will meet this evening with the president, Miss Hattie Brown. Subject, Robert Browning.

Cigars.

Try our new Supreme Judge 5 cent cigars, the best in the market.

L. CHODAT'S NEWS HOUSE.

GIVE THE CHILDREN A DRINK

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder, and children, as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about ¼ as much as coffee. Price 15 and 25c.

CASES IN COURT

Suit Over a Pair of Horse's Knee Boots.

BROUGHT AGAINST J. R. RACE

The Case of Amos Wheeler vs. Richare Shaffer Decided in Favor of the Plaintiff—Docket Entries.

In the circuit court today there was a suit over a pair of horse's knee boots which were valued at about $5. The plaintiff in the case was C. W. Rork and the defendant J. R. Race. Attorney D. D. Hill appeared for the former and Leforgee and Lee defended the case. Rork claims that Mr. Race's hired man borrowed from him a pair of knee boots to use on a horse. He also claimed that the boots were worth $5 and that they had never been returned and he therefore brought suit for the value of the boots. The case was tried once in the justice courts and was decided in favor of Mr. Race and was then appealed to the circuit court. Mr. Race claimed that he had offered to return the boots, but that Rork would not accept them, but wanted the money. The case went to the jury this afternoon.

The jurors who heard the case were as follows: T. J. Walser, R. H. Coleman, Frank Blume, George Allen, W. W. Foster, Vernon Bailey, John Bradshaw, J. P. Ekiss, W. A. Andrews, W. H. Miller, J. C. Lyons, Allen Chance.

Another case in the circuit court today was that of Amos Wheeler vs. Richard Shaffer. It was a case appealed from the lower court by the defendant. Wheeler and Turpin conducted a grocery business in a store building owned by Frank Dodd. They had a lease on the place for two years. The firm sold out to Shaffer and claim that they transferred the lease to the buyer. Shaffer claimed that he did not accept the lease and has since sold out the store. Wheeler has been paying the rent each month to Mr. Dodd and the suit was brought to recover from Shaffer the amount of money paid in rent. The jury decided in favor of the plaintiff and assessed the damages at $206.50. The jury was composed of the following: E. B. Burkham, W. H. Clough, W. N. Lanham, C. H. Collins, William Briggs, Z. R. Prather, W. H. Armstrong, Allen Bartlett, Charles Ash, S. T. Leonard, C. M. Currier, Elmer Denise.

The following were the entries on the court dockets today.

CHANCERY CASES.

Laura S. Hunt et al vs. Fannie S. Cairns et al; partition. J. P. Drake, E. F. Kuny and R. R. Montgomery appointed commissioners.

William J. Chenoweth vs. Eliza R. Piper et al; bill to quiet title. Dismissed as to Henry Shlaudeman and decree pro confesso as to defendants not answering and referred for proof and conclusion.

COMMON LAW CASES.

Morehouse, Wells & Co. vs. Samuel McBride; confession. Judgment by confession against defendant in favor of plaintiff for $82 83 and costs and immediate execution.

Amos Wheeler et al vs. Richard T. Shaffer et al, appellant; appeal. Trial by jury. William H. Armstrong being excused by court, it is agreed by the counsel that the trial of this cause continue with 11 jurors. Jury retired. Verdict of jury for plaintiff and damages assessed by jury at $206.50.

C. W Rork, appellant, vs. J. R. Race, appeal. Leave to file amended claim. Trial by jury.

Josie Schnell, minor, by her next friend, David Schnell, vs. the City Electric Railway Company; case. Suit dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Nellie S. Given, administratrix, vs. Decatur Light, Heat and Power Company; trespass on the case. Default.

M. T. Hott vs. John R. Gott et al; confession. Suit dismissed by plaintiff. Leave to withdraw note from the files at cost of plaintiff.

For the Children and Others.

Will L. Smith, who has been so long and favorably known as a caterer to the amusement lovers, will on tomorrow afternoon give an entertainment at the opera house for the enlightenment and general good of the school children and any others who may wish to attend, which will consist of many of the latest Klondike views presented by the most perfect of all moving picture machines yet invented, the Animatograph, assisted by the fine stereopticon. Many musical numbers will also be given from the great gramophone, the latest and best sound reproducer. Price is 10 cents to any part of the house. Curtain at 2:30.

Entertained at Dinner.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elwood at 260 West North street a most enjoyable dinner party was given last evening. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. John Brant, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dorwin, Mrs. C. B. Prescott.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 23-dtf

CABINET IN SESSION.

Maine Disaster Discussed—Telegrams to the President.

Washington, Feb 18.—At today's cabinet meeting the disaster to the Maine was the principal topic of discussion. Although the president and members of the cabinet have scarcely any doubt but that it was purely accidental, the investigation will be none the less searching to establish the matter beyond question. The president is receiving a large number of congratulatory messages, commending him for the course he has pursued in the matter, as well as in the De Lome matter.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

School of Instruction Tuesday Afternoon and Night.

All arrangements have been completed for the Knights of Pythias school of instruction to be held Tuesday, February 22, at Chevalier Bayard hall. The school is for the members of the fraternity within the boundary of the 15th district, embracing 23 lodges, having a total membership of about 1500. It is expected that 200 to 300 visiting knights will be in the city. The program is as follows:

AFTERNOON SESSION, 3 TO 5.

Opening Ceremonies.

Introductory Remarks—J. B. Dinges, D. G. C.

Address—A G. Servoss, G. C.

Exemplification of Secret Work—P. H. Duncan, Past Sup. Lecturer.

Addresses by Past Grand Chancellors.

Expounding of Supreme and Grand Laws, by Grand Chancellor Servoss.

Good of the Order.

EVENING SESSION, 7 TO 12.

Music.

Opening Ceremonies.

Exemplification of the Secret Work—Past Sup. Lecturer Duncan.

Address—A. G. Servoss, Grand Chancellor.

The Rank of Knight in Amplified Form.

Stereoptograph-Gram-o-phone Entertainment, by the W. L. Smith Bell Ringer Concert Company.

Refreshments.

COLONIAL ENTERTAINMENT

To be Given Next Tuesday Evening Under Auspices of Home Forum.

On the evening of Washington's birthday, next Tuesday, the members of the Home Forum will give a colonial entertainment at the K. of P. hall in the Powers' block. The affair is to be an interesting one. About 80 persons will take part. One of the features of the entertainment will be the old fashioned school. Dr. T. B. Spalding will act as school master and others will represent the pupils. All the participants will be attired in colonial costumes and old fashioned songs and recitations will be given. The entertainment will close will a spelling match, after which there will be dancing and cards for the amusement of those in attendance. The affair will be something entirely different from anything that has been given this season. An admission fee of 10 cents will be charged and the proceeds will go toward the fund to erect a monument in honor of the old soldiers of Macon county.

Those who are to take part in the entertainment are requested to meet with the members of the Home Forum Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the K. of P. hall.

Supper and Entertainment.

The members of the second division of the Ladies' Aid society of the First Baptist church gave a supper and entertainment at the church last evening. The tables were beautifully decorated in cut flowers and fern and were in charge of the women of the division, as follows: First table, Mrs. Walter Hutchin, Mrs. Harry Hamsher; second table, Mrs. John Epler, Mrs. Charles Hovey; third table, Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Dunston. The kitchen was in charge of Mrs. Freeman and Mrs. Gastman.

The entertainment, which consisted of living pictures and a graphaphone concert, given by W. L. Smith, was a success. The ladies will clear about $50. Mrs C. S. Hankins is chairman of the division.

Invented a Shirt and Collar Shield.

Ben Wood is the inventor of a shirt and collar shield which promises to be just what every man has long looked for and needed. The invention is the practical solution of a question which has long bothered the minds of men and is useful, economical and clean.

Cut His Wrist.

Mr. Ford, a traveling salesman in an attempt to balance himself while coming on a car from the Union station this morning, pushed his hand and arm through the window of the car and cut an ugly gash in his wrist.

Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Very like soldiers' epaulettes are the round sleeve-caps supplementing a sleeve with an applied shoulder puff.

AN OLD SOLDIER

Found to be Drunkard and Spendthrift in Court.

K. HARWOOD THE PETITIONER

Darius Springer Alleged to Have Neglected His Family—Judge Hammer Appointed John Armstrong as Conservator.

Darius Springer was in the county court today to answer a charge of being a drunkard and spendthrift. The petitioner was K. Harwood, the commander of Dunham Post. G. A. R. Springer is an old soldier and receives a pension of $17 per month. It was charged that he spent all his money for drink and did not provide for the family, so that they were forced to apply to the county for food and fuel. The members of the post also helped the family. Attorney Joe Houseum appeared for the petitioner and Attorney Ed Wilson for Springer.

Witnesses testified that Springer was unable to get work on account of his bad habits and that he drank up his pension money and for the defense witnesses testified that he was not a drunkard and spendthrift. The jury returned a verdict finding the defendant guilty and Judge Hammer appointed John Armstrong as conservator for Springer. The jury was composed of the following: Dr. A. F. Wilhelmy, James Wykoff, J. M. Huff, Ed Morris, J. H. Layton and Milton Bivans.

Important to Sunday School Workers

Examine the program of the Bible institute for tomorrow, and be sure to attend every session. Mrs. Lamoreaux is secretary of primary work in this state and every teacher in the city, and especially every primary or intermediate teacher, should hear this earnest, efficient and consecrated woman. It will give you new inspiration for your work. The committee feel that they have in this program something helpful to every worker. It is needless for us to call the attention of the workers to the ability of Messrs. Pierce and Miller for it is already known, and their very name upon the program will bespeak for them an earnest and careful hearing. The members of our local workers who have consented to appear upon the program are earnest and zealous and we urge the hearty co-operation of everyone in the city interested in Sunday school work. Let us make this institute as helpful to the schools and to us individually as it is possible for us to do.

It was expected to hold a little informal reception this evening for our visiting friends, but as Mrs. Lamoreaux and Mr. Pierce will not reach the city until 10 o'clock, it will not be held.

A. H. MILLS,
Chairman Executive Committee.

Springtime in Texas.

George W. Hizer, who is visiting with his daughter, at Waco, Texas, writes to friends in Decatur that they are in the midst of a most delightful spring. The weather is warm, the flowers are in bloom and all the spring vegetables which come to the resident of Illinois at an abnormal price and flavor at a wait of three months, are plentiful there. Mr Hizer thinks that he will never enjoy life in Illinois again.

Going South.

E. A. Gastman left this afternoon for Chattanooga, Tenn., where next week he will attend the meeting of the National Superintendents' Association. He will spend Sunday with friends in Huntsville, Ala. He will be home on Saturday, February 26. The office will be open as usual during his absence. Miss Elizabeth Matthews will be in charge.

Baby's Arm Broken.

The two year old son of Mr. and Mrs D F. Baker of 968 North Broadway in playing yesterday afternoon tipped his high chair over and fell to the floor breaking his arm. Dr. H. C. Jones set the bone. The fracture is not a complicated one and not serious.

Remember, What is Good for Saturday.

Cauliflower, Asparagus, Radishes, Rhubarb, Leaf Lettuce, Head Lettuce, California Celery, Michigan Celery, Cranberries. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Telephone 344.—18-d2t

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure

T

VOL. XXV. NO. 269.

THE "MAINE"

Prompt Steps Taken the Cause of the

CAPT. SIGSBEE IN COM

Spanish Trickery Will Not Be quiry--Request Denied--M on the Day and Night o phe--Naval Departm

Washington, Feb. 19.—The Maine naval investigating board will proceed at once to Havana, where the work can be conducted rapidly to a finish with the assistance of Captain Sigsbee, and information gathered by divers from the wreck.

Captain Sigsbee has telegraphed that he has made an arrangement with the Spanish officials for the prosecution of the inquiry and that there is no friction. Notwithstanding Captain Sigsbee's opinion that bodies of the dead cannot be removed from Havana, the navy department is still besieged with applications for the return of the Maine victims to the United States for burial. This morning Captain Sigsbee telegraphed that the bodies of Officers Merrit and Jenkins were not yet found, and repeated that it is impossible to send home other bodies, as many could not be identified. Captain Sigsbee adds that 125 of the dead are already buried, with nine ready for burial.

WE WILL LOOK FIRST.

Spaniards Will Not be Allowed to Join in the Maine Inquiry.

Washington, Feb. 19.—Secretary Long and Assistant Secretary Day of the state department, had an interview with President McKinley this morning concerning the cablegram from Consul General Lee, transmitting a request for the Spanish authorities at Cuba that they be permitted to join our people in investigating the cause of the disaster to the Maine. General Lee was notified that while this government was willing to afford the Spaniards all reasonable facilities for the investigation, it was thought best that the first inquiry be made by our own commissioners. The request was, therefore, respectfully declined.

Captain Sigsbee in Command.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The Spanish request to be permitted to participate in the examination of the wreck of the Maine came in the following dispatch from Consul General Lee, received last night: "Sigsbee begins tomorrow with divers sent him from the United States to recover all the bodies still left in the wreck of the Maine, as well as the personal effects of officers and men, and whatever else can be obtained in that way. After that is completed the Spanish government would like to unite with ours in having the bottom of the ship and harbor in the vicinity jointly examined." The following answer was sent: "The government of the United States has already begun investigation as to the cause of the disaster to the Maine through officers of the navy, especially appointed for that purpose, which will proceed independently. This government will afford every facility it can to the Spanish authorities in whatever investigation they may see fit to make on their part."

It appears that Spain at first based it's right to participate in the divers' investigation on the ground that the wreck lies in Spanish jurisdiction, but the difficulty was relieved this morning by the Spanish charge d'affaires, who said there was a harmonious understanding between Captain Sigsbee and the Spanish authorities at Havana, whereby the wreck of the Maine will be considered extraterritorial, or United States possession, just as in the United Sates consulate. Under this agreement Captain Sigsbee will proceed to send down divers and make the examination. At the same time the Spanish charge d'affaire feels assured that Captain Sigsbee will allow the Spanish divers equal and simultaneous facilities during the examination.